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Great Flame Of Democracy Will Be Shielded From Black-out Of Barbarism

ASSURANCE OF AID TO GREECE AND CHINA ALSO

LONDON, March 15.

In solemn terms President Roosevelt this evening told the White House Correspondents Association in a speech broadcast throughout the world that the American nation had been thoroughly aroused and was standing foursquare to the peril that threatened democracies everywhere, including America.

"WORD FOR WORD ON RECORD"

The President prefixed his speech with the pregnant phrase "everything I have to say is word for word on the record" and continued "in last World War, the Germans were informed by their representatives in the United States that the latter was in a state of disunity. But let not the Dictators of Europe and Asia doubt our unity now. Before the present war broke out, I was more worried about the future than most people. Record shows that I was not worried enough. The American people are writing new history to-day. The big news of this week is that the world has been told that we as an united nation realise the danger which confronts us, and to meet that danger our Democracy has gone into action. We know that although Prussian autocracy was bad enough, Nazism is far worse.

Call This A New Order?

The Nazi forces are not seeking mere modifications in colonial maps or minor European boundaries. They openly seek the destruction of all elective systems of Government in every continent, including our own. They seek to establish systems of Government on the regimentation of all human beings by a handful of individual rulers who seized power by force. These men and their hypnotized followers call this a new order. But it is not new and it is not an order. Humanity will never permanently accept a system imposed by conquest and based on slavery. The nations of Europe and the United States did not previously appreciate that these modern tyrants find it necessary to eliminate all democracies; but we do now. The process of elimination of European nations preceded by plan through 1939 and 1940 until the unbeatable defenders of Britain. The enemies of Democracy now know that Democracy can still remain democracy and reach conclusions and arm itself adequately for defence.

On Lease & Lend Act

Referring to the Lease and Lend Act, the President declared that it was argued not only by Congress but throughout the country and finally was settled by American people themselves. "It is proclaimed not with the voice of anyone man but with the voice of 130 millions. It is binding on all of us and the world is no longer left in doubt. The decision is the end of any attempt at appeasement in our land, the end of urging us to get along with dictators, the end of compromise with tyranny and the forces of oppression. The urgency is now. We believe firmly that when our production and output are at full swing the democracies of the world will be able to prove that dictatorships cannot win. Every



President Roosevelt

plane and other instruments of war, old and new, which we can spare we will send overseas. That is commonsense strategy."

"Now" Is The Time

The President called on industry to move its products from assembly lines to the battle lines of the democracies "now." "We have not and never will have a false unity of people browbeaten by threats and misled by propaganda. To day at last ours is not a partial effort. It is a total effort."

The President disclosed that many articles which he approved immediately after signing the Lease and Lend Bill are already on their way. "Here in Washington we are thinking in terms of speed and speed now. I hope that the watchword will find its way into every home of the nation."

The President warned the people of all classes to be prepared to make sacrifices and foreshadowed lower profits, higher taxes and longer hours. The United States was dedicated to constantly increasing the tempo of production greater than ever known before. "The light of democracy must be kept burning. Millions in Britain and elsewhere are bravely shielding the great flame of democracy from the blackout of barbarism. It is not enough for us merely to trim the wick and polish the glass. We must provide in ever increasing amounts to keep the flame alight. If democracy failed, freedom of speech, expression and worship, freedom from want and fear would become forbidden things. That is true of England, Greece, China and the United States to-day.

There are almost a million and a half United States citizens in the armed forces to-day, and no better man ever served under Washington, Paul Jones, Grant, Lee or Pershing. The United

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Willkie Pleads For

Real Defence Commission

WASHINGTON, March 16. President Roosevelt's speech is described as an enunciation of "the aspirations of America" by Mr. Wendell Willkie who however suggested that President Roosevelt's objectives were better attainable if he would delegate authority to a real Defence Commission. "Appropriations alone won't do the job. We all pray he awaits the opportunity to become the greatest statesman of his generation for he must do so if democracy is to be saved"—Reuter.

PRINCELY ORDER ALERT

Close Watch On Changing Indian Political Developments

NEW DELHI, March 16. An informal conference of the Rulers and Ministers of Indian States met in New Delhi for the whole day to-day, when the Chancellor of the Chamber of Princes, H. H. the Jam Sahib of Nawanganar, is reported to have made an important statement on the present political situation in India and the international situation as affecting the Princely Order. The "United Press" learns that the idea of having a resolution on the political situation in the country in the Chamber of Princes has been dropped, but a committee would be set up to watch changing circumstances and the situation and to call an emergent meeting of the Standing Committee or a Conference of the Rulers and Ministers when the need arises.

The general view appeared to be to impress upon the Government of India not to take any decisions affecting the constitutional position of the country without taking the Princes into confidence as also their consultation.

Resolutions on the agenda for to-morrow's meeting of the Chamber of Princes were also discussed.—United Press.

(Details In Last Page)

TOWARDS INDO-BURMA TRADE AGREEMENT

NEW DELHI, March 15. The non-official advisers to the Indo-Burma trade talks have submitted their report on the proposals of the Burma Government for a trade agreement and dispersed after another conference with Sir Ramaswamy Mudaliar, Commerce Member, Mr. N. R. Pillai, Additional Secretary and Mr. Gregory, Economic Adviser to the Government of India.

The United Press learns that the Indian advisers' report discusses the proposals of the Burma Government in details while not accepting the Burma Government's stand regarding the import duty on Indian textiles. It appears that the advisers make concrete suggestions to the Government of India and to the Government of Burma which if accepted should pave the way for a new trade agreement.—United Press.

German Radio On Roosevelt's Speech

LONDON, March 16. "There is nothing new in President Roosevelt's speech" stated the German radio giving the first Nazi comment on the speech this morning. "No help whatever, given to England, could affect the issue of the war," added the announcer.—Reuter.

MR. MUNSHI'S CONDITION

Still Causing Anxiety: Mrs. Munshi May Be Released On Parole

POONA, March 16. Enquiries made at Yerawada House show that the condition of Mr. Munshi is still causing anxiety. Besides colitis he has also had an attack of low blood pressure and sun stroke. He has been confined to a dark room and visitors are not permitted to see him under medical advice. It is considered probable that Mrs. Munshi will be released on parole to enable her to be by the side of her husband. Doctors Coyaji, Jivraj Mehta and Desai examined Mr. Munshi this morning.—A. P.

Rajen Babu & Kripalani See Gandhiji

WARDHA, March 15. Acharya Kripalani and Doctor Rajendra Prasad saw Mahatma Gandhi to-day when it is understood Acharya Kripalani reported on his tour of Maharashtra.—A. P.

Thekedar & Thakkar At Wardha

WARDHA, March 15. Mr. Bajrang Thekedar, President of the Nagpur Provincial Congress Committee, met Gandhiji to-day and discussed certain important matters. Mr. A. V. Thakkar arrived in Wardha to-day to see Mahatma Gandhi.—United Press.

Kishorelal Mashruwala

WARDHA, March 15. Mr. Kishorelal Mashruwala is attending to Gandhiji's correspondence. Mr. Mahadev Desai being at Bombay and Rajkumar Amrit Kaur, at Delhi.—United Press.

Maniben Parekh Gives Notice

Smt. Maniben Parekh gave intimation to the Suburban District Collector of her intention to offer Satyagraha at Tilak Maidan, Ghatkoper at 8 a. m. to-day.

FOR TOKIO TALKS

French Indo-China Sends Technical Commission

LONDON, March 16. The Dome Agency reports that Admiral Decoux, Governor-General of French Indo-China, has decided to send a Technical Commission to Tokyo for the drawing up of the peace treaty between Indo-China and Thailand. The main terms were initiated last Monday.

The French Commission which consists of six members will leave for Tokyo by air on Tuesday.—Reuter.

Spanish Reaction

MADRID, March 16. President Roosevelt's speech was given great prominence in Spanish newspapers and the influential "Arriba" referring to his words concerning the passage of the Lease and Lend Bill says: "This decision is the end of any attempt at appeasement." No editorial comment is published.

While Spanish correspondents in Berlin and Rome are minimising the importance of American aid to Britain, the interest of the Spanish people is reflected in the prominence which the newspapers give to news from the United States. To-day, for example, the newspaper "Ya" gives heavy type headlines to the reports that new bombers are being manufactured by the Curtis Wright Corporation for Britain.—Reuter.



Hitler

BRITAIN WILL NOT BE CAUGHT

Hitler's Silence Stirs People To Be Ready To Meet Invasion

LONDON, March 16. Although no reference to invasion was contained in Hitler's speech the question of invasion is not considered to be out of the picture as is shown by a leaflet, which is to be distributed to all householders.

The leaflet says: "We want every man and woman in this country to fight. The British people have already got an idea of what to do, if the Germans tried to invade us. Church bells will be rung where the enemy has landed. Instructions would be issued locally to householders, through wardens, in whom they have full trust, and careful plans have been made to see that citizens are supplied with news and broadcasts.

"Where no landing has occurred, people will be asked to go to work as usual and send their children to school, until such time as they are asked not to do so. In all such areas the watchword will be 'carry on.'"

The leaflet affirms that it is the right of every man and woman to protect their family and themselves. "You can give all you can to Government. Do not help the enemy in any way."—Reuter.

TURKISH ARMY MANOEUVRES

Parachutists And Parashots To Take Part In Exercises

VICHY, March 16. Turkey now has parachute troops. This was revealed in an announcement by the War Minister that parachute troops of the Turkish army will engage in manoeuvres during the coming week, according to an Istanbul message to the Vichy News Agency.

A further indication of the modern development of the Turkish army is contained in the fact that new units of the anti-parachutist troops will also take part in the exercises.—Reuter.

COUNTESS EDDA CIANO MISSING?

ROME, March 16. Countess Edda Ciano, daughter of Mussolini, was on board the ship which was torpedoed by the British off the Albanian coast, according to the official Italian News Agency. The ship sank rapidly, and there were some deaths, says the Agency, which however, gives no details regarding the rescue.—Reuter.

HITLER'S DOPE FOR 1941

German Forces Ready, Determined And Confident

"To-day, the German forces are ready enormously strengthened in personnel and materials, determined and confident that they would complete what was begun in 1940. The country must bear heavier sacrifices in this war than before. The whole nation to-day is a fighting unit" declared Hitler in his speech at the celebration of the German Heroes' Day.

CALL FOR MORE SACRIFICE

BERLIN, March 16. Hitler delivered a speech in Berlin this morning at a ceremony to mark the German "Heroes Day". The address was formal in character, and lasted about a quarter of an hour. As is now usual with Hitler's speeches, the fact that he was going to make an address was kept a close secret, until just before he began to speak.

"As the German people honour their heroes in 1941, we do so at a time and under circumstances which give us the right to think proudly of those who sacrificed their lives for the nation in struggles of both recent and distant past", Hitler declared.

SAME OLD STORY. He developed the familiar theme that Germany had not wanted the war which had been forced on her by England and

France and made the usual attack on the Versailles Treaty.

After referring to the Polish campaign Hitler said, "With proud confidence the German people were able to enter the year 1940. Yet our people did not deceive themselves as to the difficulties of the year before them. The struggle in the west is to-day vividly retraced in the memory of every German soldier. The year 1940 will go down in history as the most decisive and important."

"A shifting of strength of truly historic importance took place in that year. Had Germany achieved only part of their successes in 1918, she would have won the world war. To-day the German forces are ready, enormously strengthened in personnel and materials, determined and confident that they would complete what was begun in 1940. The country must bear heavier sacrifices in this war than before. The whole nation to-day is a fighting unit."—Reuter.

HITLER'S GREAT MISCALCULATION

United Br. Empire Will Give Nazis Hot, Says Attlee

LONDON, March 16. "Solid reasons for sober confidence" were given by Mr. Attlee at Stoke-on-Trent to-day when he said that the splendid leadership of Mr. Churchill in this country had been splendidly paralleled by President Roosevelt overseas. "Machines produced by British Labour and manned by British man-power defeated the attacks made on us by a numerically far stronger German air force last summer."

He said: "That the same combination is carrying the counter-attack to Germany to make her wish that she had never started aerial warfare." Hitler speaking so often of his seventy million Germans standing together against Britain had made a great miscalculation in forgetting the millions of Britishers from the Empire and overseas, who were pouring of their own free will into Britain to fight for an ideal.—Reuter.

U. S. CRUISERS IN AUSTRALIAN WATERS

LONDON, March 16. It is officially stated in Auckland (New Zealand) that two American cruisers and four destroyers have arrived on a training cruise and will remain for three days.—Reuter.

U. S. Liners Not For Lisbon

NEW YORK, March 16. The large American liners "Washington" and "Manhattan" will not sail between Lisbon and the United States. A suggestion was made a few days ago that they should replace the smaller vessels now in service. The scheme has now been abandoned but the need for more ships on this route is shown by the fact that American export lines ships on the Lisbon service are booked up many months ahead.—Reuter.

Punjab M.L.A. Dead

Father Of Sir Feroz Khan Noon Passes Away

LAHORE, March 16. Death occurred in Lahore this evening of Nawab Sir Mohammad Hyat Khan Noon, M. L. A. (aged 67), father of Sir Feroz Khan Noon, High Commissioner for India in London. The body was removed to Nurpur, home village of the deceased, where the funeral will take place to-morrow.

Sir Sikander Hyat Khan, Premier of the Punjab, Major Khizar Hyat Khan, Minister of Public Works, Nawab Muzaffar Khan, Khan Bahadur Mushtaq Ahmad Gurmani, Syed Ahsan Ali, M. L. A., and other prominent persons, including high officials called at the residence of Late Nawab Mohammad Hyat Khan to pay their condolences and sympathies with the bereaved family.—A. P.

Vichy Won't Go To War Against Britain

VICHY, March 16. The statement that there was no question of France declaring war on Britain was made by Comte De Brinon, Vichy Ambassador to occupied France to-day, when he concluded a tour of the occupied regions.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

AMERICAN ARMS FOR EIRE VICHY:—Mr. Frank Aiken, Eire Minister for co-ordination of National Defence, left Lisbon yesterday by clipper for the United States to study the possibility of buying American arms and supplies, says a Lisbon despatch to the Vichy News Agency.—Reuter.

The British submarine "Snapper" is overdue. She must be considered lost, announces the admiralty.—Reuter.

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BOMBAY TO WIT:—By virtue of a precept to me directed, I hereby proclaim and give notice that the Second Sessions of 1941 of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery will be held before the High Court of Judicature at Bombay at the Court House on TUESDAY, the 18th day of March, 1941, at 10-45 O'clock in the forenoon for the trial of all Crimes and Offences committed within its jurisdiction.

(For further particulars see Bombay Government Gazette Part II dated 9th March, 1941, at page 472).

T. SINCLAIR KENNEDY,
Sheriff of Bombay.

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NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Undersigned till 11 A.M. on 17-4-41 for Constructing an R.C.T. Beam Bridge of 11 spans of 30 feet each in 7.3 Mile of Narasapatam Thallapalem Road. Approximate cost Rs. 65,000/- tender documents can be had at Rs. 15/- per set which will not be refunded in any case. For further particulars please apply to the Undersigned.

(Sd.) K. S. RAMAMURTHI,
District Board Engineer, Vijayag. (4547)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

Hydraulic Engineer's Department.

TENDERS accompanied with a deposit of Rs. 1,200/- for carrying out repairs to the 57" steel mains in Bandra Creek by patch-plating and welding, are invited and will be received upto 1 P.M. (Bombay Time) on FRIDAY, the 23rd March, 1941.

Tenders should be enclosed in a sealed envelope superscribed "Tenders for repairs to the 57" steel mains in Bandra Creek" and addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Fort, Bombay. Forms of tenders, specifications, etc., will be issued on payment of Rs. 5/- to any one deputed to receive them by the Undersigned who will on application give any further information that may be required.

E. A. NADIRSHAH,
Hydraulic Engineer,
Improvement Trust Building,
Napier Road, Fort,
Bombay, 15th March, 1941. 4565

140. EDUCATIONAL ADLETS.

Local Self-Government Service. Applications are invited from candidates desirous of joining L.S.G. Diploma Training Classes for Officers of Local Self-Government Service conducted under the joint auspices of this Institute and the Government of Bombay, which commence on 1st May, 1941, at Bombay, Poona and Ahmedabad. Prospectus can be had from The Director, Local Self-Government Institute, 11, Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay. (4476)

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Those belonging to martial classes and of good family will be preferred. They will at first be enlisted either in the Junagadh State Landers or in the Mahabat Khanli Infantry on a pay of Rs. 75/- p.m., and they will have to pass various Military Courses of Instruction specially at MHOW, and if need arises they will have to proceed to join any other Indian State Forces Units in connection with war duties.

Applications written in applicant's own handwritings should reach the Dewan, Junagadh State not later than 10th April, 1941. Selected candidates will be called for interview.

(Sd.)
Dewan, Junagadh State.
The Secretariat,
Junagadh, 8th March, 1941. 4545

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from duly qualified persons for enlistment in the waiting list for clerical posts in the Department of Industries during the year 1941-42.

The starting pay in Bombay would be Rs. 50/- for non-graduates, Rs. 60/- for ordinary graduates and Rs. 70/- for honours graduates. In the scale of pay Rs. 50-5-2-90; and Rs. 30/-, Rs. 40/- and Rs. 50/- respectively in the mofussil in the grade of Rs. 25-2-55.

Candidates domiciled in this Province only need apply by post to the Director of Industries, Old Custom House Yard, Bombay, before 25th March, 1941, stating educational qualifications, experience, age, caste, domicile, speed in shorthand and typing, and forwarding copies of testimonials, in support of the statements made in the application.

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Legal Notices

HIGH COURT

O. O. C. J.

SUIT NO. 2300 OF 1940

Messrs. RATILAL KANTILAL, a firm vs. Plaintiffs.

(1) NARANDAS LALCHAND & (2) BAPUBHAI NARANDAS vs. Defendants.

To, BAPUBHAI NARANDAS, The 2nd defendant abovenamed.

TAKE NOTICE that the plaintiffs abovenamed have instituted this suit against you to recover the sum of Rs. 3,000/- with interest at 6 per cent per annum on Rs. 400/- from 31st January, 1938, on Rs. 800/- from 2nd March, 1938, on Rs. 800/- from 1st April, 1938, and on Rs. 1,000/- from 1st May, 1938, till judgment, costs of the suit and interest on judgment at 6 per cent per annum till payment and that 16th day of April, 1941, has been fixed for hearing and final disposal of this suit. Please note that in default of your appearance on the said day the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

Dated this 11th day of January, 1941.

(Sd.) K. K. DASTUR,
for Prothonotary & Senior Master.

Messrs. KHANDVALA & CHHOTALAL, Plaintiffs' Attorneys. (4557)

Public Notices

G. I. P. RAILWAY

The Resident Engineer G. I. P. Railway, Parel invites tenders for excavating earthwork on Parel section and running out to Mile 6/28 ES on the Mahim Chord. The Form of Tender, Schedule and Conditions of Contract can be obtained from his office on payment of Rs. 2 per set. This sum will not be refunded.

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IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

THE BANK will be CLOSED on FRIDAY, the 21st March, 1941, that day being a Public Holiday (JAMSHEDI NAVROZ) under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881. Bombay, 12th March, 1941.

A. McCULLOCH,
Secretary & Treasurer. 4535

NOTICE

POLICY No. 3771019, issued by THE PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, on the life of Keshavlal Sobhagchand is reported to be LOST. Any one finding same or claiming any interest in same should communicate with the Manager of the Company, Clive Buildings, Calcutta, within a month from this date after which no claim will be considered.

14349.

NOTICE

THE EASTERN BANK LIMITED. (Incorporated in England, the liability of Members being limited.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Bank will be CLOSED from 18th to 29th March, 1941, both days inclusive.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that AMARSEY BHAGWANDAS, DULLABHDAS BHAGWANDAS, MANEKAL BHAGWANDAS, and PURSHOTAM HARIDAS and SHAMRAO ANANDRAO VIJAYKAR have contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property and that all persons having any right, title, interest, claim, or demand into or upon the said land, hereditaments and premises or any part thereof by way of inheritance, gift, bequest, charge, mortgage, sale, lease, lien or otherwise have to make the same known in writing to the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay or to the undersigned at their Office within the Fort at Lenthin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, and that otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to such claim, if any and the same will be considered as having been waived and void.

On Tuesday the 18th March 1941 at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) at the Princes Dock H. Shed and Jetty Shed ex. ss. "Rajput."

218 cases Vegetable wax: 20 cases Gulta Parcha: 3 Boxes Personal Effects: 1 Trunk Personal Effects: 13 cases Vegetable wax: 2000 bags Soyabean: 3300 bags magnesite Clinker: 900 Bundles Rattions, 20 Bales Agar Agar: 3 cases Menthol Crystal.

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Dated this 15th day of March, 1941.

TYABJI DAYABHAI & Co., Purchasers' Attorneys. (4564)

Legal Notices

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY

Insolvency No. 58 of 1941

Re CHUNILAL RAICHAND KHUSHAL of Bombay, carrying on business under the name and style of Messrs. Raichand Khushal at Dongri. A Debtor. Ex parte: Messrs. KHANDE-RAO LAUD & Co., Fettingling Creditors.

On the 11th day of March, 1941, an order was made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtor an Insolvent.

Dated this 12th day of March, 1941.

S. S. RANGNEKAR,
Insolvency Registrar. 4560

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50 Drums codliver oil: 386 Drums Paste Shark oil: 3240 bags Hardened fish oil: 3300 bags Magnesite Clinker: 6900 bags Soyabean: 32 cases nutmeg.

On Tuesday the 18th March 1941 at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) at the Princes Dock H. Shed and Jetty Shed ex. ss. "Rajput."

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MONDAY, MARCH 17.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
 5 p.m. Tomorrow, 5-5 G.T. Koppikar, 5-15 Sitar and Sarangi, 5-20 News in Marathi, 5-30 News in Gujarati, 5-35 Shajahan, 5-55 G.T. Koppikar, 6-5 News in English, 6-55 News in Hindustani, 6-10 M. S. Kasekar, 6-30 N. A. M. (Marathi) For Children, 7-10 N. A. M. (Marathi) For Children, 7-15 Dhan Des on Jaitarang, 7-25 Talk of the town, 7-30 Prem Bai Kuntikar, 7-45 Master Ibrahim, Film (news on Clarinet), 7-55 News in Marathi, 8-10 News in Gujarati, 8-25 Topic of the day, 8-30 Matters of Moment, Talk relayed from B.C.C. 8-45 Sound News, 9 News in Hindustani, 9-20 News in English, 9-30 B.C.C. News relay, 10 Surdaji Bhajan, 10-10 Bhavgeet, 10-20 Ghazals, 10-30 Thumri.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)
 5 p.m. Champak Sarangan, 5-20 Tirvan on Sitar, 5-30 Sahas Singh, 5-35 Ghulam Fareed and Radha Bai, Duet, 6-15 Champak Sarangan, Vocal music, 6-30 Samandar Par Khat, 6-45 Talk in Hindustani, 7-10 N. A. M. (Marathi) For Children, 7-15 Dhan Des on Jaitarang, 7-25 Talk of the town, 7-30 Prem Bai Kuntikar, 7-45 Master Ibrahim, Film (news on Clarinet), 7-55 News in Marathi, 8-10 News in Gujarati, 8-25 Topic of the day, 8-30 Matters of Moment, Talk relayed from B.C.C. 8-45 Sound News, 9 News in Hindustani, 9-20 News in English, 9-30 B.C.C. News relay, 10 Surdaji Bhajan, 10-10 Bhavgeet, 10-20 Ghazals, 10-30 Thumri.

Calcutta I—Programme

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time)
 370.4 metres (810 kc/s)
 5 p.m. Sarat Ch. Banerjee, 5-15 Dulal Ch. Kundu, 5-20 Romka Das, Adhunik song, 5-35 Dulal Ch. Kundu, 5-40 Romka Das, Kavya Sangit, 6-45 For the rural and industrial areas, 7 Reply to listeners' letters, 7-20 Diet Quaverly, 7-45 Greta Bose, 8 Madhubani Sampayet, 8-55 Greta Bose, 9 Joseph Neumann, 10 Ted Frangoussis and His Blue Harmony Boys.

Hyderabad Programme

411 metres (730 kc/s)
 7-30 to 7-45 p.m. For children (1) Vegetables-Talk by Mr. S. B. Omar, (2) Rubber-Talk by Mr. S. A. Minnie, 7-45 Historical Forts of Deccan-Talk by Mr. A. M. Siddiqui.

JAMSHEDI NAVROZ PROGRAMME

Jamshedi Navroz which falls on Friday (March 21) will meet with a lively reception from the All-India Radio, Bombay. A comic play written by Dorab Mehta, called "Vahemna Vaghai" will be broadcast at 1 p.m. Earlier in the morning, at 10-30 a.m., there will be a recitation from the Shahnameh by Farooze Bode, followed at 11-15 a.m. for 45 minutes. The singing of Firoz Durr during the day is an additional attraction. There will also be an introductory talk on Jamshedi Navroz on Wednesday (March 19) by Mr. P. Madon.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

G. I. P. Railway.

	Arr.	Dep.
Madras Mail	6:00	6:15
Madras Express	6:15	6:30
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	6:55	7:10
Calcutta Mail (via Chikool)	7:30	7:45
Madras Express	10:30	10:45
Poona Mail	12:30	12:45
Nagpur Express	15:00	15:15
Poona Express	19:30	19:45
Allahabad Express	20:25	20:40
Poona Fast Passenger	21:45	22:00

B. B. & C. I. Railway.

(Arrivals and Departures from Bombay Central.)

	Arr.	Dep.
Ahmedabad Passenger	6:00	6:15
Delhi Express	6:15	6:30
Gujarat Mail	6:30	6:45
Kathiawar Mail	6:45	7:00
Frontier Mail	8:15	8:30

The Flying Rance, Dohar	10:08	10:20
The Flying Rance, Surat	10:20	10:30
The Flying Rance, Surat (Kk.)	10:30	10:40
Sept. Saturday	10:00	10:15
Ahmedabad Passenger	14:15	14:30
Kathiawar Express	15:05	15:20
Baroda Passenger	15:05	15:20

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, these trains will run on Tuesday.

SHIPPING NEWS.

IMPORTS

Bombay, March 15

7155 bales cotton; 144 pkgs dry fruits; 27 rolls motor tyres; 27 cases biscuits; 37 bags mimosa extract; 48 cases brandy; 245 bags betelnuts; 181 pkgs cutch; 32 cases watches; 225 ctns vicks vapours; 6534 bags crude asbestos fabrics; 98 pcs ivory; 67 bundles m s sheets; 100 pcs m s sheets; 69 bundles g l pipe; 350 pcs g l pipe; 150 bags iron square nails; 75 cases cotton goods; 1000 cases safety matches; 280 casks tallow; 273297 pcs and bundles teakwood.

EXPORTS	
400 bales raw cotton The Universal Cotton Trading Co; 374 bags gum Mepani Bros; 56 bags gum Nephend Preshand and Co; 10 bales cotton prints Cox and Kings (Agents) Ltd; 200 bales cotton waste G M Vyas and Co; 466 bags gum Narsi Murti and Co; 300 bales raw cotton Kilschand Devchand and Co Ltd; 400 bales raw cotton Volkart Bros; 1400 bales raw cotton T N Kaisha Ltd; 500 bales raw cotton and waste G M Vyas and Co; 200 bales raw cotton Virm Ladha and Co; 800 bales raw cotton S R Talsham and Co Ltd; 450 bales raw cotton Korkat and Co; 100 bales raw cotton J M Dave and Co; 1250 bales raw cotton Cotton Export and Import Ltd; 200 bales raw cotton Nishco Co Ltd; 54 bales d/s goat skins Cox and Kings (Agents) Ltd; 700 bales raw cotton Anderson, Clayton and Co; 2500 bales cotton waste G M Vyas and Co; 120 bales cotton waste M Chandiani and Co; 150 bales cotton waste P D Vora and Co.	

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Wheat Barilla Russo	 Closed
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Active Mill Buying On N. Y. Cotton Exchange

RECORD FEBRUARY CONSUMPTION IN U. S. A.

Market Entitled To Moderate Reaction

BOMBAY, March 15.
 There was active mills buying on the New York Cotton Exchange on Friday and distant months advanced one cent per bale. The market is discounting expectations of freer cotton exports under the Lend and Lease Act, but the technical position is weakening. The market is entitled to moderate reaction after the recent rapid rise.

New York cotton prices advanced on Friday on record February consumption and the firmness of the stock market and other commodities.
 The Chicago grains edged up undecidedly on Eastern investment buying with better tone of securities. The general commodity list encountered hedging against loan wheat repossessions.

It is true that there exists strong agitation for higher loan rates and the Washington administration favours higher interest rates but at same time thinks of introducing export subsidy. Thus, if subsidy on exports is adopted prices in countries other than the United States will have to keep lower to the extent of subsidy given.

NEW YORK MARKET
 The New York cotton futures market opened steady. Trade covering and Bombay and Commission House buying met increased sell-off hedging and Memphis selling with leading Spot Houses actively transferring old crop prices forward. In the latter part of the session, prices touched new high levels on mill buying.

At the opening July was quoted 6 points up at 10.74 and May was 10.75. There was scattered selling and May declined to 10.74 which was the lowest. Later on there was active buying and May option rose to 10.77 which was the highest and the market closed at a net rise of 14 to 20 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 8 points at 11.00 per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET
 The New Orleans cotton futures market was also firm with improved buying and closed at a rise of 10 to 21 points. Spot cotton prices were raised 17 points at 10.92 per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET
 The Liverpool cotton market was influenced favourably on strong Bombay advices. There was moderate trade calling and local covering. The market closed at a rise of 5 points. Middling American Spot cotton prices advanced 5 points at 8.90 per lb.

PRIVATE CABLES
 Sakeles futures closed one point up and Gias were one point lower.
 New York May highest 10.87+18 (15 p.m.)

LONDON MONEY MARKET

LONDON, March 15.
 On the money market, overnight loans have been readily obtainable at cheap rates, 65 million sterling treasury bills were offered and allotted lowest average rate since the war began. The actual rate was 19 shillings 11.79 pence per cent.
 The total applications amounted to 158.8 million compared with 151.2 last week. Consequently, the market Syndicate only received 24 per cent of their requirements against 42 previously.
 Wall Street opened narrowly irregular.—Reuter.

Amendment Of Insurance Act

The C. P. and Berar Insurance Association have not been informed by Hon. the Commerce Minister whether the recommendations made by the Association to the Government have been included in the recent Amendment Bill to the Insurance Act 1938.
 In the course of the representation it is pointed out that in no other business the importance of the part played by the field workers is so great and effective as in the insurance business. Some of the recommendations made include (1) License only those who are engaged in the business of insurance sale-shipment. (2) Payment of the renewal Commission to the heirs of agent after his death when the agents have completed a business of at least two lakhs. (3) The rights of an agent to work for any other company after a period of ten years provided in Section 44 of the Act. (4) Schemes like free insurance, etc., for the benefit of the licensed agents and (5) Representation of agents on the Board of Directors.

Chagla's Paper On Iqbal Read Out At Khayyam Club Meeting

A special meeting of Khayyam Club was held at the terrace of "Rehmatullah" house, Chagla, Bombay, on the 9th evening of the presidency of Mrs. Khadija Shafi Tayabji, J.P. After recitation of Quran, Nakhlat Shahjahanpur by way of introduction enlightened the audience about Mr. A. Chagla's highly esteemed paper on "Some Aspects of Iqbal's thought".
 He said that the author was a traveller of Islamic countries, well acquainted with Occidental and Oriental literature and a great scholar of Islamic culture. Mr. N. Chagla continued that the author had presented the subject psychologically, and requested the audience to listen carefully to the technical use of the terms and application of the remedies suggested for reformation and regeneration of Muslims.
 Mr. A. K. Monon, B.A., read out the paper to the audience with eloquence and style which was appreciated by one and all. Mr. Chagla in his essay reviewed Iqbal's philosophy and explained the real meaning of "Self and Not-Self", "Faqr and Qalandari", "Nationalism and Communism", "Socialism and Nationalism" etc. from Iqbal's point of view. He compared Iqbal's ideas with those of the prominent scientists of the west.
 He also emphasised that the secret of Islamic progress did neither depend on the orthodox belief in the historical achievement of the past nor on mystic ideologies of Sufism and in blind following of western culture but according to his opinion the real salvation lies in properly understanding the meaning of "Jihad" and oneness of God and in the Holy Quran in its true perspective.
 After this, the chairwoman explained the aims and objects of the Khayyam Club and said that in the commercial city like Bombay Khayyam Club would prove to be useful for literary and cultural progress.
 Mr. Shahabuddin Dashedi, the Principal Anjuman-Islam High School thanked the Chair, and the meeting was dissolved.
 N. B. Next meeting of the Club will be held on 23rd March, 1941.

SAFEGUARDS FOR HARIJANS

Ambedkar Wants Creation Of Settlements Exclusively Occupied By Harijans

AHMEDABAD, March 15.

The creation of settlements exclusively occupied by Depressed Classes in uncultivated waste and forest lands and a constitutional provision for an annual subvention of not less than Rs. 20 lakhs in each Province for the purpose, were advocated by Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, presiding over the first Depressed Class Political Conference of Gujarat. He added that the harassment of the Depressed Classes by caste Hindus continued as before, and it would not stop till the Depressed Classes were removed to new settlements which should be placed in charge of a Special Board of Commissioners. "SAME RIGHTS AS MUSLIMS" Proceeding, he said that Mahatma Gandhi advocated the uplift of the Depressed Classes but opposed their gaining political power without which there could be no real uplift of the Depressed Classes. At the last Round Table Conference the speaker had demanded the same rights for the Depressed Classes as were given to the Muslims but Mahatma Gandhi had resisted them and gone on a fast unto death.

SEPARATE ELECTORATES

Dr. Ambedkar suggested the following provisions in the new constitution that might be framed:—
 (1) Representatives of Depressed Classes should be elected by separate electorates.

(2) All Cabinets should include at least two representatives of Depressed Classes chosen by the members of the Depressed Classes in the Legislatures. Once they were chosen they should be irremovable during the life of the Legislature.

(3) Depressed Classes should be represented in the services, particularly Revenue, Police and Judicial Departments in the proportion of 15 per cent in the higher grades to be attained within ten years subject to the rule of minimum qualification.

(4) Depressed Classes should have representation on the Public Services Commission in each Province.

(5) A fixed sum should be allotted in the Budget for expenditure on the education of Depressed Classes in each Province.

DEMAND FOR SEPARATE ELECTORATES

The First Gujarat Depressed Classes Political Conference concluded to-day, after passing a string of resolutions the principal of which demanded separate electorates for depressed classes instead of the joint electorates in all public bodies such as legislatures, Municipalities, local boards, village panchayats, etc.

In the course of this concluding remarks, Dr. Ambedkar, President, said that the conference was a success, in spite of the boycott by the Congressites.—A. P.

"Toofani Jang" Forfeited

LUCKNOW, March 15.
 The booklet in Hindi entitled "Toofani Jang" has been declared forfeited by the U. P. Government under the Defence of India Rules. The booklet is written and published by Harkish Singh 'Azad', Jat Intermediate College, Baraut, District Meerut, and printed by Pandit Mani Shanker Sharma of Meerut.—A. P.

Basic Education Conference

WARDHAGANJ, March 15.
 The Secretary of the Hindustani Talimi Sangha, Sewagram, informs the Associated Press that Dr. Rajendra Prasad will inaugurate the second Basic Education Conference at Jamnagar (Delhi) on 11th April. It is understood that Dr. Rajendra Prasad is leaving for Amraoti on the 18th morning for presiding over Veer Wamanrao Joshi's sixtieth birthday celebrations.—A. P.

Excise Duty Strangling Young Indian Industry

In connection with the proposed excise duty of 10 per cent on pneumatic tyres and tubes manufactured in India, a Bill in connection with which is now before the Legislature, we understand that the tyre manufacturing industry in India is making representations to Government drawing attention to the effect of such a duty on the industry at this time. They point out that unless a countervailing duty is at the same time placed on imported tyres, the position of the industry 'vis-a-vis' the importer is bound to be weakened. They further point out that Government are proposing to take this action at a time when the industry is being pressed for increased production and for extensive development in connection with the country's war effort, which must be affected if this tax on the Indian industry goes through without a countervailing tax on the imported tyre. It is further pointed out by the industry that India is the only tyre manufacturing country in the world whose own market is unprotected and that the tyre manufacturing industry in India was established without any of the special protection that has been found necessary in all other manufacturing countries. Several of the factories manufacturing tyres and tubes in India are small factories who find it difficult to survive after the war if this measure goes through in its present form.

Bombay Provincial Muslim League Conference

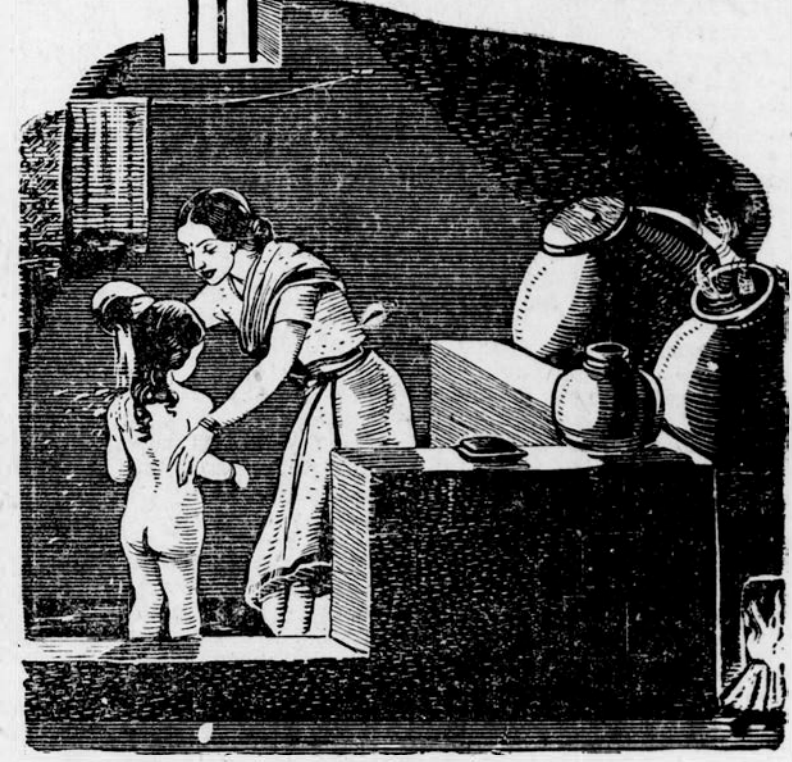
At a meeting of the Reception Committee of the Conference of Bombay Provincial Muslim League of which Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim is the chairman, five committees known as the Funds Committee, Finance Committee, Guest Committee, Propaganda Committee and Pandal Committee were appointed.

The Ladies Sub-Committee of the League also met and appointed three committees, namely the

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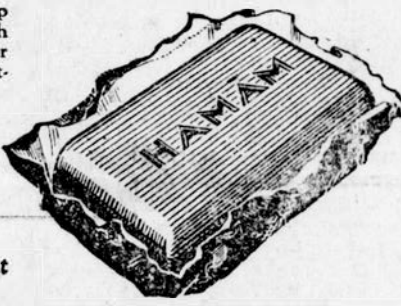


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Rural Board For Thana

The Government of Bombay has decided to set up separate rural development boards for the Thana and the Bombay Suburban districts.

The following have been nominated members of the Thana Board:

Swami Anand, Mr. Anandpatil of Navghar, Thana mahal, Mr. Akher Sahab Faqui of Bhiwandi, Mr. N. G. Chhapkhar of Badlapur, taluka Kalyan, Mr. Kantilal Vaidilal Shah of Kina-shah, taluka Shahapur, Mr. Narayan Shekhar of Wada, Mr. Ganpat Sakharan Kharote of Mokhada, Mr. Shamrao Datt of Dahaman, Mr. V. T. Takle of Dahaman, Mr. Keshav T. Karulkar of Umbergaon, Mr. Sakharan Bhihaji Patil of Nandore, taluka Palghar, Mr. Chhotubhai D. Desai of Thana, Mr. V. V. Dandekar, M.L.A., Palghar, Khan Saheb A. A. Divkar of Vasind, taluka Shahapur, Khan Saheb Durr Sardar Haji Amir Saheb Rais of Manor, Mr. Manoharshah M. Korbhari, Mr. Vishnu Vaman Mule of Khodola, Mr. Abdul Razak Muhammad Azim Kuvani of Badlapur, Mr. Jaitu Namaji Patil of Katrab, Mr. G. K. Phadke, M.L.A., of Kalyan, Mr. R. G. Bhatnagar, M.L.A., Mr. Manekshah Havewala of Nargol, taluka Umbergaon, Khan Bahadur D. A. Wadia of Umbergaon, Mr. D. J. Zanjari of Murbad, Mr. Atmaram Manohar Shah of Bassein, Mr. Velji Monji Sunderji of Thana mahal, Mr. B. B. Bhagwat of Khardi, taluka Shahapur, Rev. H. Shull of Palghar (Church of Brethren Mission), Mr. N. P. Ponda of Dahaman.

Indian Life Assurance Offices' Association

The following members have been elected to the Managing Committee of the Indian Life Assurance Offices' Association, Bombay for the current year: Messrs. Byramjee Hormjee (President), N. Dutta (Vice-President), C. G. Fozdar (Hon. Secretary), Pandit K. Santanam, Messrs. H. P. Jones, K. M. Naik, S. B. Cardmaster, K. C. Desai, Shrin Sen Sagar, Y. Mangayya and Rajendra Kumar Jain (Members).

Two Buffaloes And Cartman Killed

The well-known building Mistri of Bombay Vanjari community Mr. Sayaram Lachuji Karpe, passed away on Monday last, at the age of 65. A resident of Nizam State, Mr. Sayaram Karpe was the son-in-law of the sister of late Rao Bahadur Manaji Rajaji Kalewar. His funeral was largely attended.

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ACCIDENT ON E. B. RAILWAY

Two Buffaloes And Cartman Killed

NEW DELHI, March 15.
 A cartman and two buffaloes were killed and the line was blocked for about one and half hours as a result of a goods train colliding with a buffalo cart at the level crossing gate at mile 136/18 between Malaniche and Abdulpur stations, at 2/25 a.m. to-day, says the District Traffic Superintendent E. B. Railway telegraphing from Paksey Colony.—A. P.

World Of Sport: Home And Abroad

G. I. P. Railway's Third Success In Provincial Hockey Championship

(By LOOKER ON)

The Bombay Provincial Hockey Championship Tournament came to a close last week-end. It turned out to be a great success. As many as 35 teams competed, among them were several from up-country. The G.I.P. Railway, who had won the Championship in 1939 and 1940, emerged victorious again. But it was not quite a plain-sailing for them. The St. Xavier's College in the semi-finals and the Young Sports in the final fought them every inch of the way—forcing them to draw once each before they succumbed. On the whole, it was exceedingly creditable on the part of the Railway to carry away the title for the third time in succession, although in the League Championship they finished but fourth in the table.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONS ELIMINATED.
The League Champions, on the other hand were surprisingly eliminated by the Young Sports in the penultimate round. The City Police are, however, doing well in the northern part of the City. After winning the Parel League, they are making a fair bid for the Lewis Cup. They were forced to draw by the Lusitanians in the final on Thursday. But I expect them to run away with the honours when they meet again. The Young Sports deserve to be complimented on their steady progress. If they can maintain their pace, there is no reason why they should not have the final say in the capture of the trophy as long.

READY FOR AGA KHAN.
The Customs, the heroes of many a battle in Bombay and elsewhere in the past, showed an improved form this season. Their supporters were in high hopes that they would succeed in regaining their lost glory. But the Policemen dashed their fond hopes to the ground. The B. B. and C. I. Railway, the League runners-up were making strenuous efforts to outdo the G.I.P. met with an unexpectedly early reverse at the hands of the Kirkee Ordnance. Let us hope all these teams will give glowing accounts of themselves against the visiting teams in the Aga Khan Tournament which is already proceeding apace. From

Aga Khan Hockey

St. Mary's Hold Ammunition Factory

Late Goal Deprives Lusitanians Of Victory

Late goals disallowed a decision being arrived at in the two matches played in the preliminary rounds of the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament. In the first game St. Mary's Old Boys gallantly held the Ammunition Factory, Kirkee, the teams sharing four goals.

The late encounter was an unfortunate affair for the Lusitanians 'A', for, after holding the lead of one goal to the last minute of the game, and being superior throughout, they allowed the Kirkee Ordnance to score the equaliser a few seconds before the final whistle.

A GREAT ENCOUNTER.
St. Mary's Old Boys repeatedly brought the spectators in the stands to their feet in their fight against the Ammunition Factory, Kirkee, who were generally expected to easily better the Old Boys. Though, it cannot be said that St. Mary's played class hockey, they certainly put their whole heart into things and in the initial half enjoyed as much of the game as their opponents, and many were disappointed when the Ammunition Factory took the lead in the twenty-second minute. Dewjee, the Kirkee inside-left, picked up a good pass from D'Mello and scored. Despite serious pressure by the Old Boys, the Ammunition Factory, crossed over with their advantage.

The game proceeded at a cracking pace after the break and both areas were visited. Then St. Mary's put more into the game and the Kirkee defence were seriously tested. They stood up to things midst great excitement. However, three minutes from the close the stands sent up a roar of applause. St. Mary's

what I hear almost all the leading teams in the country will participate in it.

IF SPECTATORS BEHAVE.
I have already referred to the disgraceful incident which culminated in the suspension of Mendonça, the Lusitanian goalkeeper, 'sine die'. This favourite team of the Goans was seen in action again at Parel on Thursday last. Although their fight with the Police was very keen and exciting, their behaviour was above reproach. I wish the spectators would refrain from inciting the players and the umpires. Perhaps they do not realise that their playful exhortations like "hit him", "bite him", "turn him off, ref", sometimes lead to violence.

SCOPE FOR UMPIRING.
The umpires are being severely criticised every day. They seem to be the pest of the City! I do not hold any special brief for them. But I do feel that the time has come when the critics should be a little more lenient towards them. It is so difficult to get people to do this thankless job. If our umpires are treated in the manner they are done in Calcutta, we would have fewer people still to supervise our games. Why not some of the critics themselves take on these onerous duties and see how they fare? I do not say that there is no room for improvement in the ranks of our officials. There may be plenty of it. If the spectators leave them alone, I believe the state of affairs will improve rapidly.

TRANSFER RULES.
There has been a good deal of heart burning in the matter of transfers this season. The amended rules of the B.P.H.A. made confusion worse confounded. A feeling has got abroad that the transfer rules are being applied with favouritism and discrimination by the Association. Perhaps that is going too far. Fortunately the B.P.H.A. Committee has realised its mistake and has already altered the contentious rule. I understand from next season every player will be allowed one transfer in a season without any restriction whatsoever. That should calm the situation, I think.

GOAN SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP

"Ave Maria" Triumph Over "Arch Of Goa"

Further progress was made in the Bombay Goan Football Championship, when two more matches were decided on the Cross Maidan this evening before a large gathering of soccer fans.

In the first match, "Ave Maria" proved superior to "Arch of Goa" and easily won by two goals to one. In the second match, St. Joseph's Night School, beat St. Anthony's Sports Club, by two goals to one.

The first match was a thrilling encounter, and was full of interest and excitement. The losers took the lead through Fernandes and maintained it till the interval, despite heavy pressure by the rival forwards.

The second half saw a complete change of things, as the "Ave Maria" forwards moving up with resolve, had the opposite defence in continued difficulties, and scored two quick goals through D'Almeida and Lobo. Thereafter, the winners maintained pressure, but the "Arch of Goa" defence held out gallantly.

GALLANT LOSERS.
The second match was another thrilling affair. St. Joseph's took the lead through Gomes in the fifteenth minute of play, following a brilliant movement by their forwards. On crossing over, St. Anthony's equalised through Lazarus, and just towards the end Coutinho put St. Joseph's ahead with a magnificent header.

were immediately in their opponents' area and more or less remained there.

Their efforts, however, brought no further goals, as the Ordnance defence were shaping very well and frustrating all the efforts coming from the opposing attack. Only a real optimist could have seen the Kirkee side save the game. This they did against the run of play in the very last moments of the encounter, Fitzpatrick scoring the all-important goal.

Bad light did not permit extra-time being played.
THE TEAMS WERE:
LUSITANIANS 'A': Pinto, D. J. Fernandes and F. D'Souza, F. Gama, P. D'Souza and J. C. Pinto, N. Fernandes, D'Sa, F. Fernandes, C. D'Costa and M. F. Chardas.
KIRKEE ORDNANCE. O'Brien, Halkot and Shankar, Hira Singh, D. D'Souza and F. Patrick, Zinche, Piray, Lissenberg, Tomlinson and Muwin.

UMPIRES: Messrs. J. Scott and H. Lynn.

TODAY'S MATCHES.
Bombay Gymkhana ground—4.15 p.m.—Bhimraj Sports Club vs. Bombay City; 5.30 p.m. Britannia Sports Club vs. Deccan Sports Club

CORDEIRO WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The curtain was brought down on the Cordeiro Women's Hockey League, when the Junior and Senior finals were played on the St. Xavier's College Gymkhana ground, Parel, before a crowd of hockey enthusiasts, and Dr. Mrs. Socrates Noronha presiding.

The Junior final went in favour of Proctor Ladies 'B', who beat Christ Church and Barnes Old Girls by the odd goal in three. The Senior Final was exciting, inasmuch, as the Bombay Greys deprived Vincent Club "A" of victory in the last minutes of the game. The Vincent Club were leading by the only goal they had scored right up to ten minutes from the end. The Greys, who are a fighting side then equalised, scored two more points and ran out winners by three goals to one.

Inter-School Hockey
This evening on the B.P.H.A. Ground the replay of the final of the Junior Aga Khan Hockey Tournament will be played between St. Mary's High School and St. Xavier's High School.
On the St. Xavier's College Gymkhana ground, Parel, one match will be played in the Dr. Viegas Inter-School Hockey Tournament, St. Sebastian's High School "A" meeting Master's Tutorial High School.

Beighton Cup Tourney
CALCUTTA, March 18. The Beighton Cup Tournament will start on April 14. Entries close on April 5 and fixtures will be drawn on April 7.

Tennis Stars Join "War Week" Effort
The stars, who participated in the exhibition tennis matches, a part of Bombay's big "War Week" programme, must have been satisfied with the field stands of the centre court of the Cricket

'WAR WEEK' ATHLETIC MEET

Miss Gilbert Creates New All-Record: Boosey Lowers Two Previous Basis

An enthusiastic crowd, a keen band of athletes and sportswomen, went to make the concluding day (Sunday) of Bombay's "War Week" athletic meeting a very successful fixure. Among the spectators, present were Major General Hon. T. P. P. Butler, D. P. O. and his Honourable Mrs. Butler; Sir John Beaumont and Lady Beaumont.

NEW INDIA RECORD
The day's sport was of a high order. Miss M. Gilbert, who came to the notice of critics early this year, is steadily going from achievement to achievement. On the opening day of the meeting, she created a new Bombay record for the 81 Metres Hurdles, on Sunday in the Discus Throw she beat by sending the discus 34 feet 6.12 inches, a splendid effort.

BOOSEY JUMPS WELL
L. T. Boosey was also another record breaker. He established a new Bombay record in the 1000 Yards, on Sunday by covering in the Running Broad Jump 21 feet 7.12 inches. The competition in the 1000 Yards, 4 x 100 Metres Relay was splendid and this resulted in another Bombay Record being made. The B. B. and C. I. Railway Team, led by that great sprinter, L. Woodcock, did this event in 44.45 seconds.

The first prize for the lucky prize was won by Mr. L. S. Kana of which he was asked to be put up to auction, the proceeds to go to the War Fund. This prize was knocked down to Captain Khan Baqar S. R. Mody.

The writer must mention our cyclists. The cycling events are steadily now the most popular at every event is a thrilling affair and the cycling on Saturday and Sunday was great.

The following were the results:
100 METRES HIGH HURDLES:—A. M. Khan (Grant Medical College) 1, R. S. Team (Parel Sports Club) 2, J. Jameson (Police) 3. Time: 16.15 seconds.

100 METRES RUN:—L. C. Woodcock (B. B. and C. I.) 1, V. L. L. (Police) 2, M. Hussain (Y. M. P.) 3. Time: 11 seconds.

3,000 METRES CYCLE RUN:—A. R. Havewalla, (National C. C.) 1, J. F. Amin (Malcolm C. C.) 2, R. J. Mistry (Malcolm C. C.) 3. Time: 6 m. 3.25 sec.
B. Malcolm (B.E.S.T.) came a very close second, but had inadvertently cut the track, leading to

Absorption Of Bulgaria

As soon as Bulgaria is thoroughly absorbed into the Nazi machine and the weaker improves, the German drive on Salonika, in the meantime, the Greeks are holding the Allied front on European soil by driving back the Bulgarians despite General Vassilov's frantic counterattacks and when the major challenge is delivered to them they will know that the British will not fail to honour the pledge given by their king—"your cause is our cause."

Club of India.
Play was of a high order and all participants going all out, even as they would in a serious tournament.

Great interest centred round the match, where Miss Leela Row opposed Man Mohan. Perhaps it was the first time that a lady player opposed a male opponent in a public display. The tennis in the encounter was good and in the set that was played Man Mohan beat Miss Row.

The following were the results of the matches:
Man Mohan beat M. Bhandari, 6-2, 6-0.
J. Charanjiva vs. F. Bekkevold 2-6, 6-3.
Miss Leela Row and J. E. Tew beat Miss K. Hajee and O. Sutton, 6-3, 6-4.
Man Mohan beat Miss Leela Row 6-4.
J. E. Tew and F. B. Bekkevold vs. J. Charanjiva and M. Bhandari, 6-3, 2-6.

100 METRES RUN (WOMEN):

Miss E. Gawthorne (Cathedral ex-Sudens) 1, Miss R. Sahray (B. P. O. A.) 2, Miss M. Gilbert (B. P. O. A.) 3. Time: 13.25 seconds.

400 METRES RUN: C. Rosario (Police) 1, S. Rama Rao (Kanara A. C.) 2, K. H. Rao (Khatau S. C.) 3. Time: 53.45 seconds.

RUNNING BROAD JUMP:—L. T. Boosey (Madras) 1, J. Jameson (Police) 2, P. Krishna (Kanara A. C.) 3. Distance: 21 feet 7.12 inches. (A new Bombay Record).

THROWING THE DISCUS (WOMEN):—Miss M. Gilbert (B. P. O. A.) 1, Miss P. Moulton (B. C. O. A.) 2, Miss P. Gupta (Khar Gymkhana) 3. Distance: 34 feet 6.12 inches. A new Bombay and All-India Record.

1,000 METRES CYCLE RUN:—J. F. Amin (Malcolm C. C.) 1, A. R. Havewalla (National C. C.) 2, G. Wilson (Oriental Athletes) 3. Time: 18 mins. 25.35 sec.

200 METRES RUN:—L. C. Woodcock (B. B. and C. I.) 1, Dr. A. J. Kalston (B. P. O. A.) 2, M. Adams (Police) 3. Time: 22.35 seconds.

RUNNING HIGH JUMP:—J. Jameson (Police) 1, K. D. Moolchand (Grant Medical College) 2, R. S. Saini (Tata Sports Club) 3. Height: 5 feet 6.12 inches.

150 METRES RUN:—S. D'Almeida (Khar Gymkhana) 1, S. Dantes (Khar Gymkhana) 2, M. G. Anil (Khatau S. C.) 3. Time: 4 mins. 28.45 seconds.

4,000 METRES CYCLE PURSUIT:—Malcolm Cycling Club (B. B. and C. I.) 1, J. F. Amin, R. J. Mistry, and D. Guard. Time: 6 mins. 41 seconds.

RUNNING HIGH JUMP:—Miss P. Moulton (B. P. O. A.) 1, Miss E. Gawthorne (Cathedral ex-Sudens) 2. Height: 4 feet 4.34 inches.

INTER-SERVICE 4 x 100 RELAY:—B. B. and C. I. Bombay (L. C. Woodcock, L. and T. Speldwine and D. Foster) 1, Bombay City Police 2, Army 3. Time: 44.45 seconds. (A new Bombay Record).

DUAL MEDLEY RELAY (200 m., 400 m., 200 m., 200 m.)—MILITARY v. CIVIL—Civil Kelkar, Rama Rao, D'Almeida and Speldwine 1. Time 3 mins. 54.45 seconds.

THROWING THE JAVELIN:—J. Jameson (Police) 1, S. Sulvan (St. Xavier's) 2, R. Shinde (Tata Sports Club) 3. Distance: 145 feet 6 inches.

MIXED MEDLEY RELAY (50 m., 100 m., 200 m., and 50 m.)—Cathedral Old Boys and Girls 1.

University Sports Board

CALCUTTA, March 18. A sports board has been constituted by the Inter-University Board of India to organise among its different constituent universities contests in football, cricket, hockey, tennis and athletics and also swimming.

Besides the chairman and the secretary of the Inter-University Board, this new body will consist of one representative each from Aligarh Muslim University, Calcutta University, Osmania University and Travancore University, representing North-East, Central and South zones, respectively and also Khan Bahadur Mian M. Afzal Hussain—A. P.

RACING AS USUAL

IN ENGLAND

On March 16 races will line up at the starting post for the Lincolnshire handicap race which in days of peace marks the opening of seasons classic horse races. On June 6 and 7 race meetings will be held at Newbury when New Leroy and Oaks Races will be decided. Less than two weeks later races will be held at Newmarket which in peace time takes place at Ascot.

Thus British horse racing carries on. It does so in wartime not because of sporting interest, but because there is great industry behind this sport. Overseas owners need British stock to replace their own thoroughbred stock. Famous trainers state that a large proportion of horses in their charge are two-year-olds, who will be winners of classic races and sires and dams of future champions. Entries for races at present are much better than in the years of 1914 to 18. Some people contend that racing is unpatriotic in wartime and suggest that horses could equally well be kept in training during the war period without having races. This is like running a machine purely to prevent it from rusting. Competition is necessary in order to discover champions. A perfect example is the horse named Gainsborough which won the 1918 Derby and Saintleger and Ascot Gold Cup. His stock made about three hundred thousand sterling. Had the racing been dropped before 1918, then the great industry would have suffered and racing in Australia, America and other parts of the world would have been poorer.—Reuter

Fate Of Yugoslavia

When the German penetration of Bulgaria is complete Yugoslavia will be almost completely cut off and Hitler would have no need to buy her assistance. Probably he is interested to know whether she would remain passive during the German southward drive if left alone. On the whole the present indications are that she would. He is also in position to make political enquiries as to whether Yugoslavia proposes to line up with the new German order in the Balkans or prefers political and economic isolation.

Muslim League

TO HELP THROW OUT Finance Bill

NEW DELHI, March 16. It is learned that the Muslim League party in the Central Assembly at a meeting this morning decided to make an effort to throw out the Finance Bill at the consideration stage.

According to present plans, Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan will put forward the League's case against the Government and seek to divide the House. The present constitutional deadlock and the Government's attitude towards it are believed to be responsible for the attitude of the League.

If the motion for consideration is adopted in spite of the League's opposition, the party will then not move any amendments to the Finance Bill but will demonstrate its opposition at the third reading of the Bill and make another attempt to throw it out.—A.P.

Trans-Atlantic Air Service ABYSSINIAN STUDENTS IN CAIRO

(From A Correspondent.)

One of the busiest air routes in the world today is the trans-Atlantic air service now being operated three times weekly by Pan American Airways between New York and Lisbon via Bermuda. With only one trans-Atlantic American steamship company still in operation, this air service is the only trans-Atlantic line of mail between Europe and the United States. So heavy have these mail loads recently become that the number of passengers is gradually being reduced for mail has preference over all other cargo. On a recent trans-Atlantic trip 13,400 pounds of mail were carried. The necessity of continuing to carry important priority people on the trans-Atlantic service is also becoming increasingly apparent. To do this, the trans-Atlantic Clippers "Yankee," "Dixie" and "Atlantic" have ceased to be the "glamour girls of the air" and instead have taken on an appearance which is a grim reminder of world conditions. This appearance is due to the Clippers' conversion from luxury liners to high-speed mail carriers. The better to bear the increasingly heavy loads of wartime mails and to move more of the urgent lists of important passengers. Some 1,700 pounds of equipment and comfort have been removed from each Clipper in order to increase their passenger-carrying capacity. Even the bright silver-gilding of their exteriors has been changed because the amount of this silver paint necessary to cover each ship weighs some 4 pounds. Instead a transparent protective preparation covers each plane which does not cover the uneven tone of the metal left by the anodizing process. With the result that the Clippers have a slightly camouflaged appearance.

The big changes that have taken place are instead in the interior of the Clippers, where four of the passenger compartments have been completely stripped of soundproofing, carpets, seats, berths. Just a narrow strip of carpet-dotted with guide ropes down either side leads to the rear lavatories. One passenger recently adequately described this part of the ship as resembling an unfinished subway. Pan American knows that they never could sell a prospective passenger on taking a trans-Atlantic Clipper cruise now, but trans-Atlantic passengers at present are primarily concerned with speed and comfort. Pan American estimates that the 1,700 pounds saved by "stripping" each Clipper allow them to carry seven more passengers or better than 1,000 additional letters on each trip, which is of tremendous value, when you realize the importance of moving people who have to be moved and keeping the mail service open to the maximum number of users.

German Infiltration Into The Balkans

Ever since the German infiltration into the Balkan area began Turkey has had to deal with a situation of increasing complexity. Her difficulties have been chiefly due to two causes. In the first place the New Turkey under Mustafa Kemal owed much to Russian friendship and since both powers were vitally interested in preventing any third power from dominating the Balkans, the Turks had naturally counted on Soviet collaboration in barter with the Balkan Entente countries. Russia has entered into close economic collaboration with the intruder and proved to be far too apprehensive of German military power to venture to check her Balkan advance.

Turkey's second difficulty was with regard to the Balkan countries themselves. In refashioning the Turkish Empire, Kemal had made it abundantly clear that Turkish territorial ambitions, particularly on the European side of the Bosphorus, were a thing of the past. Turkey thus became the natural leader and protector of the Balkan Bloc and without such leadership and protection, it may be remarked, the Balkan Entente countries would have been more than a polite fiction, for the countries concerned are too poor and too lacking in industrial resources to stand militarily on their own. Unfortunately ancient territorial grievances among themselves and mistrust of Turkish intentions have prevented any effective combination. Greece alone accepted Turkish sincerity and when the challenge came, defied the intruder.

When the Greeks forced the Italian back to Valona (and thereby upset Axis plans) they exposed a long right flank to German attack from the north either through Bulgaria or Yugoslavia. In that emergency Turkey made it clear that no German threat or bribe could induce her to remain passive while her vital interests were being jeopardised.

When German infiltration, intrigue and intimidation finally brought about the complete surrender of Rumania, it became more than ever clear that the other Balkan countries could only escape a similar fate by forming a united defensive front. With British encouragement and support the Turks began to sound Sofia and Belgrade. The Yugoslavians, in response to Turkish approaches and true to their martial tradition, expressed their determination to fight if directly attacked; but they proved to be unwilling to enter into any sort of commitment that might be regarded as a "provocation" by Germany. In this connection it should be noted that the rumours of Axis plans to force the evacuation of the Balkan Slav states have been made by Hitler when the Yugoslav ministers paid their recent visit to Berchtesgaden should be treated with extreme reserve.

Turkish-Bulgarian Pact

The Turkish-Bulgarian pact of non-aggression which has now been signed, had it come earlier, might have been the opening move in the formation of a Balkan Bloc for common defence. As it is, German infiltration has moved faster than the negotiations, and its practical value is chiefly negative. It is some gain that Bulgaria has bound herself not to march along with the Germans to attacks Greece or Turkey, but it is noteworthy that the pact makes no mention of the reciprocal withdrawal of troops from the Thracian frontier where Bulgaria is estimated to have massed 25,000 men. Their proper place is on the northern frontier whence the actual invaders are coming. On the other hand, the German propaganda claim that the pact represents a triumph for German diplomacy and means that Turkey has agreed to stand neutral in the face of a German attack on Salonika is entirely unjustified. Some time ago the Turks decided against taking the risk of entering the Bulgarian uplands to meet the incoming Germans. Even if such an advance would have received the approval of the Bulgarian army (which it would not) it would in the Turkish view, have been strategically unwise as compared with waiting behind their strong Thracian defences. The Turks are working in the closest military and diplomatic collaboration with their British ally.

Offer Services To Their Emperor

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CAIRO, (By Air Mail.) The following is the text of a message received by the Union League of the Abyssinian students of the Al-Azhar University from H. M. Haile Selassie.

"From the Lion, son of Great Yahoza, the King of Kings of which brought up by the Almighty, Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia I to the Ethiopian students at Al-Azhar University Peace of God is with you. I am in receipt of your message expressing your loyalty towards your Emperor and motherland and have much pleasure to note your decision and intention to join my army for serving your country in this critical moment against our enemy, Italy, and against her devastation, loot and destruction to our country and her bad and false propaganda against your Emperor and I thank you for the same and say that your country will be calling upon you to do your duty as soon as you have completed your course of education."

It is understood that two sons of H. M. King Ibn Saud of Saudi Arabia will pay visit to Bombay very shortly for the purpose of health. The two sons will, it is said, proceed to Bahrain from Reyaz, the capital city of Saudi Arabia, and from there will go to India.

The Government of Afghanistan in an official communication to the Government of Egypt through their Legation in Cairo have requested the Educational Minister of Egypt to send an Arabic scholar to be appointed as professor of Arabic at Kabul in the Government College for a period of 3 years.

In order to deal with the menace of shortage of food-stuffs, hoarding of food and starvation raging in some villages in Syria, the system of ration cards has officially been adopted by the Government of Syria and 2,500 cards, in this connection, have been distributed to the workers and villagers.

KHADI WORK IN NIZAM'S DOMINIONS

(From Our Correspondent)

HYDERABAD, (Dn.) (By Mail.) "I have heard that Hyderabad Government has taken to Khadi and it would be better if it came forward in helping the local Khadi Prachar Sangh also," thus observed Sri Srikrishnadada Jajji, President of the Gandhi Seva Sangh and General Secretary, All-India Spinners' Association at a public meeting under the auspices of the Hyderabad Khadi Prachar Sangh.

Sri. Anne Saheb Sanasrabudhe, Secretary, Maharashtra Charkha Sangh, speaking first said about Khadi worth about 22 lakhs was being produced in the State out of which a sum of Rs. 15 lakhs was distributed as wages.

Sri. Jaju, who was the main speaker concluding exhorted the people of the State to take to Khadi—Khadi sold through the Charkha Sanghs and Bhandars and thus serve the country and the teeming millions, who were starving.

Sri. Jaju left for Aurangabad from where he proceeded to War-dha.

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B. P. ARYAN POLITICAL

CONFERENCE.
A second session of the Bombay Provincial Political Conference will be held to-day (Monday) at 6 p.m. in the special Mandap erected on Sandhurst Bridge when Mr. V. D. Savarkar President, All-India Hindu Mahasabha, will preside.

PURNAPRAGNA SEVA SANGHA.
Sri Vyasa Raju Punyathithi will be celebrated to-day (Monday) at the Vani Vihar Vidyalya premises, Bhimani Street, Matunga, when Mr. M. K. Gopalachar, will deliver a lecture in Kannada, on "Vyasa Raju and The Chaitanya Cult" at 8.30 p.m.

ROTARY CLUB.

Tuesday, 18th inst., Luncheon Meeting, 1.30 p.m., at Taj Mahal Hotel. Mr. I. N. Mehta will speak on the work of the Bombay Presidency. Released Prisoners' Aid Society.

YOUTH'S LITERARY AND DEBATING ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Managing Committee of the Association will be held to-day (Monday) at 7.30 p.m. in the Bombay Marathi Granth-Sangrahalaya, Ramdas Road Extension, Dadar.

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE.

Under the auspices of the Mazdoor Association Dastur Framroz A. Bode will deliver a lecture in English on "The Gathas, The Immortal Heritage of the World" to-day (Monday) at 6.15 p.m. at the Industrial Insurance Building, Opp. Church Gate Station.

RAMWADI FREE EYE HOSPITAL.

The total attendance in the hospital during February 1941 was 5037, out of which 3179 were Males, 1905 were Females, and 853 were Children. 122 operations were performed during this month.

The daily average attendance was 226 out of 23 working days of the month.

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION, KHAR.
The total number of patients treated by the Ramakrishna Mission Charitable Dispensary during the months of January and February, 1941, was 2,681 and 2,754 respectively. Out of them 1,115 and 1,045 respectively were new patients, and 1,565 and 1,709 were repeated ones.

G.I.P. PASS FOUND.

A quarterly third class season ticket in the name of P. S. Desai is found. It can be taken away from Secretary to the Editor, "Bombay Chronicle".

PUBLIC MEETING AT DHANJI STREET.

Under the auspices of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, a public meeting will be held to-day Monday, at 9 p.m. (S.T.) at Dhanji St., Tamba Kanta, when Shri Dhanraj B. Desai, President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, will preside and Messrs H. R. Pardiwala, Narbheram Popat, Gajendranath Sharmar, Bhanushankar Yagnik and others will speak on the present political situation.

FASALI CELEBRATIONS AT FASALI ATASH-KADEH.

Fasali Festivals of Gatha Gahambar will be celebrated at the Peiti Fasali Atash-Kadeh, New Marine Lines, from the 16th instant to the 20th instant. Dasturji Framroz A. Bode will daily conduct a joint prayer and give its exposition on Thursday the 20th March a Jashan Ceremony, will be performed at 5.15 p.m. (S.T.) and at 6.15 p.m. Dasturji Framroz A. Bode will deliver a special public lecture on the importance of the Fasali Festivals.

PHYSICAL CULTURE SCHEME.

Mr. Pritivisingh has decided to start a Physical Culture Training Class at Malad (Bombay) from 31st May 1941. The classes are open to members of both the sexes and separate arrangements for their lodging and boarding will be made. Besides regular classes of physical training, lectures will be arranged by prominent speakers on Physiology, Hygiene, first-aid, scouting and allied subjects.

The last date for accepting applications is 15th April 1941. Those desirous of obtaining further particulars may communicate with Mr. Pritivisingh at the following address—P. O. Box 360, Bombay.

DAVID SASSON LIBRARY AND READING ROOM.

The 94th annual general meeting of the members of David Sasson Library and Reading Room was held on Tuesday last, when the annual report of the Managing Committee was read.

The report mentioned the efforts of the Committee to maintain the usual supplies of new books every month although fresh supplies are difficult to obtain owing to longer intervals of mails. Reference was also made to the inconvenience experienced in not getting regularly magazines and papers from London as in pre-war days, owing to the use of longer sea route.

The report recorded a gratifying increase in membership in recent years. In spite of increased cost of books and many repairs in the Building, the Income and Expenditure side showed a surplus of Rs. 2,369-7-6.

"WIN THE WAR" RUPEE FUND.

Miss Desai and Mrs. Karaka, who have worked so hard in the "Win the War" Rupee Fund office and outside, state that there are now only about 2,000 books of "Win the War" tickets to be distributed. They are selling fast and requests for these tickets come from all over India. Mrs. J. C. Jones who is organising the special drive for War Week has got a band of enthusiastic helpers who have promised to give up most of their time during that week to the selling of tickets at all the various Military and Naval displays, March 31, the day on which the Committee have every hope of closing the Fund, is fast approaching. "Win the War" Rupee tickets resulted in a sale of 5,000 tickets. If that level can be kept up during War Week the Fund will be closed at the end of the month.

Khadi And Village Industries Board Meeting.

A meeting of the Khadi and Village Industries Board will be held to-day Monday, at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at the Sarojini Cottage Congress House.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—Sadhana Bose's Dances.

Daily at 4, 6.30 and 10 p.m.

REGAL—"Tin Pan Alley" Daily at 4, 6.30 and 10 p.m.

METRO—"Comrade X" Daily at 3.30, 6.30 and 10 p.m.

EXCELSIOR—"Pastor Hall" Daily at 4, 6.30 and 10 p.m.

NEW EMPEROR—"Dance Girl, Dance" Daily at 4, 6.30 and 10 p.m.

MAJESTIC—"Punamrili" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.

PATHE—"Radhika" Daily at 3.30, 6.30 and 10 p.m.

ROYAL—"Bandhan" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.

WEST END—"Ghar Javai" Daily at 4.30, 7 and 9.45 p.m.

MINERVA—"Virginia" Daily at 4.30, 7 and 9.45 p.m.

KRISHNA—"Samajna Vanke" Daily at 5, 7.30 and 10 p.m.

IMPERIAL—"Prabhat" Daily at 4.15, 7 and 10 p.m.

LAMINGTON—"Parties" Daily at 4.30, 7 and 10 p.m.

CENTRAL—"Padavi" Daily at 4, 7 and 9.45 p.m.

EDWARD—"Virginia City" Daily at 4, 6.30 and 10 p.m.

HINDMATA—"Qaidi-Qaidi" Daily at 4.30, 7 and 10 p.m.

PALACE—"Untamed" Daily at 4, 6.30 and 10 p.m.

CHITRA—"The Kick" Daily at 4, 6.45 and 9.45 p.m.

OPERA HOUSE—"Raj Nartaki" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.

TO IMPLEMENT BOMBAY RESOLUTION.

BOMBAY, March 16.

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, Chairman of the Bombay Conference, has appointed a Standing Committee of the Conference to implement the Bombay Resolution. The personnel of the Committee is expected to be announced shortly.—A.P.

AGRICULTURAL DEBTORS' RELIEF ACT.

The Director of information, Bombay, writes—
To enable the public to send objections or suggestions to the Government with reference to the draft rules under the Bombay Agricultural Debtors' Relief Act, 1939 (published at pages 1197-1235 of Part IV-B of the "Bombay Government Gazette" dated December 5, 1940), the time limit has been further extended up to March 31. Arrangements have been made for the free supply of copies of the rules in English, Marathi, Gujarati, Kannada and Urdu to those who intend to send in suggestions. The copies of the rules can be had, on application, from the Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery, Churni Road Gardens, Bombay.

MARWADI SAMMELAN TELEGRAM TO VICEROY.

The Marwadi Sammelan of Bombay, has sent the following telegram to the Viceroy and the Chief Commissioner of Ajmer—

"Bombay Marwadi Sammelan has learnt with deep concern and anxiety of the cruel treatment meted out in the Ajmer Jail to Mr. Krishnagopal Garg who is reported to be in solitary confinement. Press Reports further allege that Mr. Garg is allotted grinding work and that he often becomes unconscious due to the severity of the task given to him and resulting exhaustion and due to solitary confinement. Sammelan earnestly requests His Excellency to intervene and with a view to preventing injustice and ensuring fair treatment in accordance with his status in society."

FASALI ATASH-KADEH ANNIVERSARY AND NAVROZ.

The 10th anniversary of the N. M. Petit Fasali Atash-Kadeh will be celebrated on the auspicious Navroz, New Year Day on Friday the 21st instant at 9 a.m. (S.T.) Dasturji Framroz A. Bode will perform the Jashan ceremony. All Zoroastrians are invited.

RAO SAHEB JAYANTILAL CHUNILAL MUNSHI.

A function was held by Shri Vishva Nagarda Yarnik Bandhu Samaj at Vile Parle, Tilak Mandir on Sunday last, to present an address to Rao Sahib Javantilal Chunalil Munshi on his 75th birthday. The address was given by Shri V. K. Sahab in the New Year List.

HINDU MUSLIM ENGLISH AND HINDI NIGHT SCHOOL.

A general meeting was held under the auspices of the school at Mr. Raote's house, under the presidency of Mr. Atadhusudan Raote on 15th instant.

Mr. U. Rang Rao, the present Head master of the school narrated the history of the school from the beginning and told how he had to face difficulties and to the spirit of the school. He requested the meeting to take the charge of the school and to manage it till his return from jail, as he is to offer a Salyagraha shortly. He said that there is support and full co-operation of the people this school cannot run.

UNIVERSITY SENATE ELECTION.

Mr. U. C. Khare is a candidate for seat to be filled in by election from the Registered Graduates Constituency, the last date of receiving voting papers for which 20th March is fixed. Mr. Khare writes that there is no truth in the rumour that he has withdrawn his candidature.

PUBLIC MEETING AT TARDEU.

Under the auspices of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, a Public Meeting will be held to-day (Monday), at 9.30 p.m. (S.T.), at 10th Road B.I.T. Chawl Compound, when Shri Dhanraj B. Desai, President of the B.P.C.C. will preside and Messrs. Y. K. Khadikar, P. R. Lele, V. M. Kande, Nanubhai V. Desai and other will speak on the present political situation.

PUBLIC MEETING AT DHANJI STREET.

To explain the Present Political Situation a Public Meeting will be held to-day (Monday), at 9 p.m. (S.T.), at Dhanji Street, Tamba Kanta, when Shri Dhanraj B. Desai, President of the B.P.C.C. will preside and Messrs. H. R. Pardiwala, Narbheram N. Popat, Gajendra Nath Sharmar, Bhanushankar Yagnik, Guntant Bhrashtra and Mohanlal M. Desai, will speak.

KHADI BOARD'S MEETING.

A meeting of the Khadi and Village Industries Board will be held to-day (Monday), at 6 p.m. (S.T.), at the Sarojini Cottage Congress House.

ANJUMAN-I-ISLAM

Election Of Trustees And Managing Committee

A meeting of the members of the Anjuman-i-Islam was held on Sunday, to elect the new Board of Trustees and Managing Committee. Mr. Haji Mohamud Haji Ahmed Agbottwala was in the chair.

The following members were elected to serve as the Trustees of the Anjuman-i-Islam for a period of 3 years:—
1. Mr. Haji Mohamud Haji Ahmed Agbottwala (Chairman).
2. Mr. Saif E. B. Tyabji.
3. Dr. Buzlur Rehman.
4. Mr. Aziz A. Meckia.
5. Mr. Mohammed Umer H. Dada.
6. Mr. A. E. Alaskati.
7. Mr. Hadi C. Tyabji.
The following members were elected to the Managing Committee for 1941-42:—
1. Mr. K. R. Munshi.
2. Mr. S. A. Brelvi.
3. Moulvi Abdul Raouf Khan.
4. Mr. Halib I. Rahimtoola.
5. Mr. A. H. Jashnawala.
6. Mr. Mohamud Ali Maniar.
7. M. Musa T. Memon.
8. Mr. Cusamally Dawoodbhai.

After the termination of the meeting, several Muslim members of the public headed by Messrs. Aziz Lali and Yusuf Alharri demanded that Mr. Saif E. B. Tyabji and Mr. Hadi C. Tyabji, elected to the Board of Trustees, should resign and they refused to allow Mr. Saif Tyabji to leave the hall as the Anjuman until he had submitted his resignation.

At the intervention of Mr. S. A. Brelvi, a member of the Managing Committee, and Mr. Osman Sobani, Mr. Lali and others agreed to draft their demands.

Besides the demand for the resignation of the two trustees, they also put forward a demand that a deputation consisting of seven Muslims should be received by the Trustees and the Managing Committee of the Anjuman-i-Islam to hear their grievances regarding the affairs of the Institution, particularly with regard to the Girls' school and the teaching of Hindustani.

Another matter which they desired to bring to the notice of the Trustees and the Managing Committee was the "doff of the answers prepared by Mr. Saif Tyabji to the questionnaire issued by the Kamal Yar Jung Committee." Mr. Brelvi gave Mr. Lali and other demonstrators an assurance on his own behalf that their demands, except that regarding the resignation of Messrs. Saif Tyabji and Hadi C. Tyabji, would be considered by the Managing Committee who would receive their deputation. Messrs. Saif E. B. Tyabji, Mohamud Ali Maniar, Mahomed Dada, Casamally Dawoodbhai and Maulvi Abdul Raouf, other members of the Committee also gave a similar assurance. The demonstrators thereafter withdrew. Before dispersing Mr. Lali addressing them said the Muslims of Bombay were agitated over the reports appearing in the Press concerning the affairs of the Anjuman. He congratulated Mr. Sobani on having declined to serve as a Trustee in spite of his election, in order that he might render better service to the institution, which was a life member and an ex-President. He thanked Messrs. Osman and Brelvi and others for having brought about the compromise.

Paranjpye Opens Setalvad Hall

Dr. R. P. Paranjpye, ex-Vice-Chancellor of the Lucknow University, while declaring Sir Chimanlal Setalvad Hall open at Parel on Saturday evening said: "This beautiful Theatre Hall, where we are meeting to-day, is constructed out of the handsome donation of Rs. 10,000 of Mr. V. C. Setalvad. The fine Assembly Hall is now associated with the name of Gokhale Education Society and it is a proud day in the life of the Society."

He paid tributes to the various activities political and educational in which Sir Chimanlal Setalvad had taken part.

During the last 40 years the Parel locality which was looked upon as uncivilized part of Bombay, has been enormously enlarged and the school now meets the educational needs of the locality. This is a happy sign. He also requested the parents and guardians to co-operate with the school authorities.

There was a variety entertainment after the prizes were distributed by the president.

School Children's Health Day

The Municipal School Children's Health Day was celebrated on Sunday evening at the premises of Municipal Schools Committee office, when Mr. Gajendradas Gokhale, Member, Chamberman, Municipality, Standing Committee, presided.

Immediately after the prayer and welcome songs there was an interesting dialogue on "Children's Health" by the New Urm Road Marathi Boy's School. Dialogue on "Vitaminis" was also equally interesting.

Dr. T. R. Narayana speaking on the occasion made special mention of the need of inculcating clean habits among children at home and it was not possible for the teachers alone to take up their responsibility. It was the most important feature which could be overlooked in the up-keep of the health of children.

The president in the course of his speech said that the defence and the strength of the nation was dependant on the health of children.

Among others who spoke were Dr. G. R. Shaikh and Mr. Jaishri Rajji.

Steady Rise In Smallpox

PLAQUE.
Plague incidence maintained its downward trend in the Province during the week and the figures were 121 against 140 of the previous week. 154-95 respectively reported and 235-131 revised figures for the previous week.

CHOLERA.
The figures of cases and death for cholera for the Province are 93-31 against 100-25 reported and 121-82 revised figures for the previous week. The worst affected District, viz., Satara had 60 cases and 18 deaths against 67-18 reported and 80-23 revised figures for the last week.

SMALLPOX.

Steady rise in smallpox incidence continued during the week and the figures of cases for the Province were 533 against 520 reported and 802 revised during the previous week. Three cases and one death, due to cerebro-spinal fever were reported from Ahmedabad town during the week.

"WAR WEEK"

To-day's Programme

The following is the detailed programme of the "War Week" for to-day (Monday):—

At 12 noon there will be a military display in the Mill area lasting one hour when a mechanised column will perform and parade through the area. The column will leave Upper Colaba Causeway along Old Custom House Road, Frere Road, Carnac Bridge, Mahomedali Road, Parel Road, Elphinstone Road and Deislis Road, Byculla, Mahomedali Road and then return back to Colaba. At 5 p.m. there will be Naval Gun Drill on the Esplanade Maidan followed by tanks, armoured cars and machine guns, till 6 p.m. From 6 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. there will be Beating Retreat (British Infantry) which will conclude the programme on the Esplanade Maidan. At the Victoria Gardens the Marathi Light Infantry Band will play at Worli from 5.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. followed by demonstrations in First Aid, Stretcher Drill, Bandaging and Ambulance Work by the St. John Ambulance from 6.15 p.m. to 6.45 p.m.

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THE MINIMUM DEMAND

The resolution of the Bombay Conference has been sympathetically commented upon by the Indian press and described generally as the minimum demand that has any chance of leading to a settlement. We have already conceded that, in spite of its obvious shortcomings, it is a fair basis for negotiations for a tentative settlement, it being understood that no negotiations have any chance of success unless prominent Congress leaders, including the members of the Working Committee, are free to participate in it. Even the *Evening Standard* of London suggests that "before Dominion Status is granted to India many matters, notably regarding the imprisoned Congress leaders, should be considered." But even the release of Congress prisoners will be of no use unless Government decide to accept at least the Bombay resolution which, even an Anglo-Indian paper like the "Mail" admits, "does not go too far beyond the offer contained in the Viceroy's speech of August last."

Government's

Inconsistency

Will the British Government realise at least now their duty, which also accords with their best interests? Mr. Srinivasa Sastry, than whom Britain has no better friend in India, earnestly suggests that "to listen while there is time to the clear call sounded in Bombay is the wisest course for Great Britain at the moment." But supporters of Government have already trotted out the familiar plea that no constitutional advance is possible without a previous communal settlement. Sir N. N. Sircar, who knows the Government of India well enough, had some hard things to say on this point in moving the resolution at the Conference. He pointed out how, in the past, British Government spokesmen had declared that constitutional progress would not be held up even if no agreement could be found on the communal question and a scheme would be applied by the British Government and how in recent months they had been insisting on a communal settlement before any constitutional advance was made. "Is there any important provision in the Government of India Act of 1935," he said, "which is the result of agreement between parties? If His Majesty's Government had insisted on substantial agreement

between the parties on the material questions involved, there would have been no Government of India Act at all." Sir Jagadish Prasad, who, too, has known the Government of India intimately, remarked that "the more there is an insistence on previous agreement, the further it recedes." Government are fully aware of this fact and it is good that their best friends are coming to realise how the communal problem is being made more difficult by forces outside the communities concerned.

If They Refuse...

Another important question arising out of the Bombay Conference is what its promoters will do if its resolution is flouted by Government on one pretext or the other. Sir P. Sivaswami Iyer warns Britain that "the refusal of the British Government to carry out the policy urged by the non-party leaders is bound to estrange even the moderate sections of Indian people and weaken Indian efforts in aid of war." Pandit Kunzru was more explicit when he said at the Conference that if it failed "we will then have to completely withdraw from public life." Sardar Sant Singh went further than suggesting passive non-co-operation and urged that they should force some sort of sanction so that British Government should know that "if they did not concede even this small demand there would be some trouble in the country." On the other hand, there were a few whose speeches suggested that their main anxiety was to rally all the elements outside the Congress and the League and seize the opportunities discarded by these bodies. If Government accept the whole resolution of the Conference and yet the Congress and the League non-co-operate, it will be at least honourable for the promoters of the Conference to do their part of the settlement. But if Government withhold a definite declaration about Swaraj as demanded by the Conference and if they merely appoint Indians as heads of departments to carry out the dictates of the Viceroy, the supporters of the Conference will only stultify themselves by accepting such an offer. The demand of the Conference is the rock-bottom minimum which Government cannot ignore without estranging, as Sir P. Sivaswami Iyer says, "even the moderate sections of the Indian people and weakening Indian efforts in aid of war."

U. S. A. Goes Into Action

Figures of British shipping losses in the week ending March 2 showed that Herr Hitler was in grim earnest when he threatened a submarine and air campaign unprecedented in its fury and ruthlessness. Subsequent data are not yet available to the public, but losses during the last two weeks also must have been heavy as can be inferred from the speeches particularly of Messrs. Tom Williams, Ronald Cross and A. V. Alexander, from the proposed mission to America of Sir Arthur Salter and from the formal creation of a new Naval Command. It is clear that Herr Hitler is determined to carry out a sustained, systematic and intensive attack upon British shipping, British shipyards and British production to enforce a total blockade with a view to strangling Britain from within and without. But while it is equally clear that the British have accepted the challenge and are dealing blows to Germany in their turn, it is also obvious that they cannot defeat the present Nazi offensive decisively without very considerable assistance from America. The Lend and Lease Act is America's reply and that reply has been eloquently elucidated by President. His message is a response, at once prompt and magnificent, to recent happenings in Britain and on her life lines.

President Roosevelt has not only accepted the Dictators' challenge but has also flung one of his own in language which is unprecedented even for him. He has dis-

carded diplomatic propriety almost deliberately and denounced Nazism and dictatorship in Europe and Asia—with the outspokenness of a belligerent. America is not at war but, as he himself said, the American nation "has gone into action." And if the people of America respond to his appeal for unity and wholehearted work, as they are most likely to do, America will have gone into action with terrific swiftness and achievement.

Meanwhile the specific terms of his promise to Britain, Greece and also China must act as a grand tonic to them at a critical moment. "Every plane and other instruments of war, old and new, which we can spare we will send overseas," proclaimed the President. As if this was not enough, he further emphasized this determination in a passage which will echo and re-echo throughout Britain, Greece and China. He said: "The British and their Grecian allies need ships, planes and food. From America they will get ships, planes and food. They need tanks, guns, ammunition and supplies of all kinds. From America they will get them. China likewise expresses a magnificent will. China, through Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, asks for our help. She shall have our help." These are great words of hope and help. They constitute a staggering blow to Nazi Germany and an already tottering Fascist Italy. They also sound the doom of Japanese aggression against China—provided Russia does not come to the assistance of Japan.

The Naval Correspondent of the "Sunday Times," writes:

One of the questions being asked all over the country at the moment is "What strength can the Nazis throw into the new U-boat campaign against our shipping?" It is taken for granted that Hitler was speaking the truth for once when he said last week that a new attack would be launched and that we might expect it early in March or April.

The actual expectation here has been that the effort would begin before March, but the latest figures of shipping losses go to show that activity in the Atlantic has been no greater in the last two weeks than it has been since the beginning of December and that losses, though quite heavy enough to be a nuisance, have remained below the general average of the 17 months of war.

This means, of course, that the intensity of the attack has been reduced and applies not only to U-boats but also to aircraft operating from Western France and in the North Sea and to the aerial laying of mines. All three factors must be considered in our estimate of the danger to our sea communications, but the main danger, as all experience so far shows, is from the submarine.

Some highly exaggerated figures about the output of new U-boats from German yards have been put into circulation, probably from Berlin as a move in the war of nerves, even though the apparent source or the origin is some quite impartial neutral. Totals ranging from 600 to 1,000 craft have been mentioned more than once.

It may be well to say definitely and unequivocally that such figures are fantastic: they are multiplications by five or ten-fold of the possible output of German shipbuilding yards in a twelve months' period.

Submarines, even of the small 400 ton type, cannot be mass-produced on the scale of the small motor car or modern battle dress. Hulls and engines may be turned out in large numbers up to the limit of supplies of raw materials,

but these are only basic elements in submarine construction. There are scores of intricate pieces of mechanism necessary which demand careful manufacture while the internal fitting of these pieces calls for skilled and patient handwork directed by brains. One need only recall the evidence given at the "Tetis" inquiry to see on what minute points the safety and sea-worthiness of a submarine may depend.

The supply of shipyard workers skilled in the intricacies of submarine construction is limited in Germany as elsewhere and there is no evidence so far that the Nazis have been able to recruit willing extra hands from among dockyard workers in Denmark, Norway and Holland, in all of which countries submarine building has been carried on for many years.

Again there is the problem of space. A submarine is not a rowing boat or a motor yacht. The number of building slips on which Germany can lay down a vessel of 200 to 300 feet in length is known pretty accurately to British ship-building experts and, even though we were to add to German yards those in the occupied countries, there is still not enough to have taken anything like 600 new keels in the last 12 or even in the past 17 months.

At a generous calculation there might have been a programme of 150 new boats in hand in recent months. An American naval estimate recently put the figure at 180, and there may have been that number on paper. But between blue print and ship at sea there is a big gulf as the Imperial German Navy found in the last war when it was able to complete only half the boats for which contracts were optimistically placed.

We may, I think, expect that

Hitler's new war on sea-borne commerce will be launched with between 100 and 120 boats actually available for service.

At a first glance the number appears formidable, but the number available is not necessarily the number active in the front line. There are many deductions to be made.

For example, the Submarine School at Kiel needs several boats for training new crews. It is probable that there are some 4,000 hands undergoing intensive courses of training in the specialised work of handling submarines. To give even a quarter of that number experience under way for a week, some 20 boats must be detached from the fighting fleet and used as school ships in the Baltic. That figure is not a mere guess. It is the actual total of training boats attached to the School at the height of 1917-1918 campaign.

Then again the whole number of craft available cannot be maintained at sea at the same time. There must be a rota of boats at sea, boats resting their crews and undergoing extensive repairs.

It stands to reason, if one stops to think, that after a three weeks' cruise in the Atlantic, material, both human and inanimate, needs a period of rest and recovery. Medical men recommend ten days' "stand easy" for the human element after each patrol and, though Nazi taskmasters may drive their human element harder than is medically advisable, even they cannot get a 30-day working month out of their men for twelve months on end.

Practical experience shows that approximately one-third of the available craft can be on active service in any one week; one-third must be resting and one-third undergoing extensive repairs.

If, therefore, we give the German output of new craft its suggested maximum of 150 boats, the attack can be maintained by only

50 at a time. My own inclination is to put the figure lower even than that, but we shall take the darkest view of the near future.

And that view will cheer the keen and vigorous men of our anti-submarine flotillas, because it means that they will once more have, as they had in September, 1939, plenty of targets to attack. It is quite clear from the figures of ship-building losses that throughout this winter the number of U-boats at sea have been small, because we must allot a proportion of the losses to aircraft attack and to mines.

Although nothing has been said publicly about German losses among their flotillas for many weeks past, it is pretty safe to guess that they have not been as numerous as they were when the Prime Minister was able to tell the country that the rate of sinkings was between two and four weekly. The reason for the decline is the lack of targets and not any falling off in the efficiency of our anti-submarine plans.

It may be that German scientists have found a counter to some of the surprises that we sprang on their U-boats at the start of the war. After all we quickly produced a counter to their magnetic mine and it would be folly to suppose that they are not capable of producing new defensive ideas for their own particular purposes. But in wartime scientific development proceeds at a heightened pace and it is by no means to be assumed that we on our side are still relying exclusively to-day on the devices that served us so well in breaking the fury of the first U-boat attacks in the Atlantic 17 months ago.

Take it all in all, Hitler's threat of an intensified campaign against our sea-borne supplies need not inspire us with any more awe than the Kaiser's "unrestricted" campaign in 1917. That caught us unprepared with anti-submarine devices. There may be, indeed, there will be, some black weeks in the first vigour of the onslaught. But the ultimate result will be the same as it was in 1918.

TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT.

MOSCOW, March 15. Fifteen experts in aviation and science are among the winners in the Inventions Section of the Stalin Awards announced to-day (Saturday).

—Reuter.
Sir Reginald Maxwell revealed in the Central Assembly that Mr. K. G. Garg of Ajmer was recommended "A" class by the Court, but the Chief Commissioner placed him in "C" class on the ground that he had no permanent source of income.

If Gandhiji were convicted in Ajmer we have no doubt that this truly great representative of British Administration would place him "C" class only because there is nothing lower.

Meanwhile we recommend an A class title, say G.B.E., for the Chief Commissioner.

The Rt. Honourable M. R. Jayakar was a regular visitor to the Non-Party Leaders' Conference.

But that does not mean anything more than that the distinguished ex-Non-Party leader was watching the proceedings from a detached and high eminence.

To Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru—at the Non-Party Leaders' Conference—it looked as if British statesmanship was totally bankrupt.

How sad, how—By the way, couldn't somebody offer it, too, a sort of lend and lease relief?

Doctor Sapru also suggested that Mr. Amery should come to India and find out the situation for himself.

It is perhaps because he has found out the situation both in India and of British statesmanship that he does not come.

Sir Nripendra Nath Sarkar disputed the Government of India's view that India minus Congress and the Muslim League was equal to zero.

We agree with Sir Nripendra Nath. The figure is not zero. It is equal to, indeed a little more than the number of invitees to the Non-Party Conference.

Mr. Savarkar expressed his admiration for Hitler-Stalin friendship.

He, however, omitted to say which of them he fancied himself to be.

In the Central Assembly Maulana Zafar Ali Khan explained Pakistan and said that what Muslims wanted was a region in which they could develop spiritually or mentally.

Like Maulana Zafar Ali or like Mr. Jinnah?

The Italian offensive in Albania was directed on Friday with the usual results, by Il Duce himself moving about in a powerful armoured car.

We hope he took the armoured car back with him to Rome. He may need it.

A Berlin despatch to a Swiss paper says: "The German Foreign Office is preserving a tomb-like silence on all problems, especially regarding Yugo-Slavia."

Quite rightly, too, since it is preparing a ghost.

"News from the Outpost," published by Americans-in-Britain for Americans at home, gives the following extract from a letter written by an "evacuated" London school teacher:—

"My children... are wild little creatures, eighty per cent of whom have been through the battle of London up to date. But they have the cockney air of defiance. Yesterday we came across the line 'Oh' to be in England! I waited for someone to go on, but no sign. Then I said, 'That is the first line of a famous poem. Do you know who wrote it?' 'Hitler!' someone shouted. There was a wild yell of joy from the whole room."

who love children and are in a position to do something for the suffering little ones that seek the hospital for relief day after day—many coming from far off places in the country—should pay a visit to this institution and satisfy for themselves what a great boon it is for children. With the splendid example of the Wadia brothers before them they should make their own generous contributions to the hospital in cash or in kind in the shape of drugs, children's foods, instruments, toys etc. It is sad to note that the contributions in the Poor Box of the hospital amounted, during the whole year, to only Rs. 439. Surely, the broken little specimens of humanity in the hospital deserve better consideration.

Text Books For Schools

The Text Books Committee appointed by the Bombay Government in June, 1939, has now drawn up an outline for the preparation of suitable text books in Marathi, Gujarati, Kannada and Urdu languages. The Committee has found that the available text books, broadly speaking, do not satisfy the requirements.

The general lines for language text books laid down by the Committee are:—
INFANTS AND STANDARD I READERS.—Reading should be introduced through story method or sentence method or word method. Words and sentences should be connected round a topic with which children are familiar and in which they are interested.

In the Infants and Standard I Readers, sentences should not ordinarily go over the line; if there is a long sentence, it should be printed in such a way that no phrase is broken up between lines.

In these books, there should be devices which help reading with understanding such as practical instructions interpreted and carried out, exercises with things to do, pictures to be cut or coloured etc.

SUBJECT MATTER OR CONTENT AND FORM:

(1) The same system of spelling should be followed consistently in a series of readers.
(2) Care should be taken in the correct use of punctuation marks at all stages.

(3) The language, topics and the content should be suitable to the age, level of understanding, power of appreciation and environment of the pupils for whom the book is written.

(4) Idiom and vocabulary should be such as would be understood by children for whom the readers are meant. Language should be graded, gradually becoming richer, both in the expression and the treatment of the subject matter.

(5) Artistic presentation and expression should be insisted on; the imparting of information should not be the main objective.

(6) The subject matter should gradually extend the outlook and sphere of interest of the pupil.
(7) The lessons should be in harmony with ethical ideals and national culture. These should not be treated in a direct didactic manner.

(8) The series as a whole should deal, among others, with the following topics:—
(a) Appreciation of Natural

beauty.

(b) Appreciation of works of Art.

(c) Achievements of Science.

(d) Travel and Adventure descriptions of interesting places.

(e) Scenes from village and town life.

(f) Folk tales, myths and legends of all lands.

(g) Stories from History.

(h) Stories from lives of great men such as saints, inventors, explorers, scientists, warriors, and statesmen.

(i) Stories of everyday life.

(j) Stories from animal life and plant life.

(k) Descriptions of manners and customs of people in various countries.

(l) Description of festivals.

(m) Crafts and craftsmen at work.

(n) Industries.

(o) Sanitation and hygiene.

POEMS.—In the Poems selected there should be variety of form and content. Infants and Std. I Readers should include nursery rhymes. The poems selected should be good of their own kind.

EXERCISES.—There should be exercises which will lead children to think for themselves and to develop study habits.

GRAMMAR AND COMPOSITION.

Grammar and Composition should be dealt with together in one and the same books. These books should deal with grammar in close relation to composition and reading. The books should attempt to teach only such grammar as will be of practical use in composition and reading. Absurd and subtle intricacies of grammar should not be taken up for treatment.

HOW GRAMMAR SHOULD BE TAUGHT

The grammar should be taught on a concrete basis, giving the simple and general treatment of analysis and the parts of speech at the first stage to be followed by a more detailed treatment at the next stage. The grammar portion should deal with the function of words or phrases as used in sentences. This function must be defined in clear and simple language. The definitions should be deduced either (a) analytically, through analysing words or phrases as they occur in a given passage or (b) synthetically, through leading the pupil to use certain types of words, etc., in his own sentences. In either case it would be desirable to have a connected paragraph (or connected sentences)

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Frankly Speaking

Chinese Success

From Moscow and Chungking have recently come reports of important victories for Chinese arms against the Japanese in South and East China. They have, among other achievements, defeated a possible Japanese threat to Chungking by beating back enemy troops who were advancing towards Czechuan along the south bank of the Yangtze. Other successes are corroborated, though not admitted, by the Japanese themselves. They have been executing a number of withdrawals "voluntarily", of course, but even from positions they had held for a number of years! These recent developments suggest that Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek has, perhaps, launched the offensive which had been delayed because of conflict with Chinese communists. Has, therefore, a much needed co-operation been restored between Chungking and Communists? Its likelihood is encouraged by the fact that the sympathetic and friendly attitude of Russia and the Moscow radio remain unchanged. In that case, let us further hope that M. Ait suoka's pilgrimage to Moscow will

Duce Fails Again

On the assumption that Signor Mussolini was scheduled to return to Rome on Saturday last, the second counter-offensive which he launched after the failure of the first was an urgent and desperate effort to retrieve a pathetic situation and take back with him some sort of victory if only to save his face. That effort, too, appears to have failed. Reports of fighting upto Friday when Il Duce himself directed operations from an armoured car say that the counter-attacks, which were exceeding furious and powerful, were beaten back with great loss to the Italians. The Duce's personal and "inspiring" intervention has only worsened his plight. The pitiful nature of that plight is evident from the fact that, according to certain reports, he had dismissed General Cavallero, the Chief of the Italian General Staff as well as Commander-in-Chief in Albania, and had to undergo the humiliation of reappointing Marshal Badoglio with him to Albania. That was prior to the debacle of his offensive. What will happen now?

Treatment Of Political Prisoners

The treatment meted out in jail to Mr. Garg, Municipal Commissioner of Ajmer, smacks of vindictiveness. Though he was given class 'A' by the trying Magistrate, the Chief Commissioner placed him in 'C' class on the curious ground that "he had no permanent source of income", a plea which would send Gandhiji and many of his co-workers to class 'C'. Mr. Garg was then given grinding work, given generally to criminals, and was relieved of it only after he had an epileptic fit. He was also given some kind of solitary confinement, though Sir Reginald Maxwell says it was not solitary confinement "in the technical sense." A prisoner does not expect a comfortable time but there should be some humanity and decency in the treatment of all prisoners, particularly of political prisoners.

For Children's Sake

The eleventh annual report of the Jerral Wadia Hospital for children, Bombay, for the year 1940 is a record of beneficent work of which any hospital in the country can be proud. This hospital is perhaps the biggest and best one in the country specialising in the diseases of children, judged by the number of patients seeking relief or by its staff of expert physicians and surgeons, all honorary workers. The hospital owes its inception and progress mainly to the magnificent munificence of Sir Cusrow Wadia and Sir Ness Wadia who gave for it an initial donation of Rs. 15 lakhs and who added later another of Rs. 10 lakhs for structural purposes. It has now accommodation for 135 patients and admitted in the year under report, 2,417 patients as compared with 2,342 in the previous year, the corresponding figures for out-patients being 12,023 and 10,893. Already the demand for admission is so great that some patients had to be sent to the K. E. M. Hospital, for want of accommodation. If the number of patients seeking relief increases at the present rate, as it is likely to do owing to the growing popularity of the hospital, it will be difficult to cope with its growing needs without more accommodation and equipment and, therefore, without more help from the public and the Municipality. Those

Opposition "Thrilled By Stirring Words"

Wonderful Appeal To Whole World, Says Leader

"WE ARE IN THE WAR": LACONIC PRESS COMMENT

WASHINGTON, March 16. President Roosevelt's broadcast pledging full aid to Britain is regarded here as the strongest utterance of an international character he has ever made. Months ago thousands of people were of the opinion that the United States was at war because she was helping Britain. Their ranks swelled enormously following the passing of the Lend Lease Bill.

STIRRING WORDS

The President's defiant and stirring words pledging all-out help for smashing the dictators has evoked the general feeling "well that's that; now we are in". The President let every word denouncing the Dictators sink in amid ever-recurring applause. Among the many distinguished people present were Lord Halifax and Mr. Willkie.

"We Are In The War"

The first American newspaper comment on the speech came from the "Hartford Courant," which says laconically, "We are in the war," and "The Danville, Virginia Courier" which writes "The People of the United States have decided on their course. They are determined to pursue it to defeat the dictators and damn the consequences."

Thrilling Speech

OTTAWA.—Mr. Mackenzie King, who is understood to have listened in to President Roosevelt's broadcast speech will make a statement to the Canadian Parliament on Monday.

Mr. Hanson, Opposition Leader,

ROOSEVELT'S BROADCAST

Continued from Page 1.) States' determination must not be obstructed by unnecessary strikes, short-sighted management, sabotage or war profiteering. Americans recognize the extreme seriousness of the present situation. That is why they demanded and got a policy of unqualified immediate aid out of all Governments whose homelands are temporarily occupied by the aggressors.

FULL SUPPORT OF EMPIRE The British are stronger than ever in their magnificent morale which has enabled them to endure all the dark days and shattered nights of the past ten months. They have the full support and help of Canada, other dominions and the rest of their Empire and non-British people throughout the world who still think in terms of great freedoms. The British people are braced for invasion whenever the attempt may come tomorrow, next week, next month.

In Front Line

Of Civilization In this historic crisis, Britain is blessed with a brilliant and great leader, Mr. Winston Churchill, but nobody knows better than Mr. Churchill himself that it is not alone his stirring words and valiant deeds that give the British their superb morale. The essence of that morale is in the masses of plain people who are completely clear about one essential fact—they would rather die free men than live as slaves. These plain people, civilians as well as soldiers, sailors and airmen are fighting in the front line of civilization. They are holding that line with fortitude which will forever be the pride and inspiration of all free men of every continent. The British and their Grecian allies need ships, planes and food. From America they will get ships, planes and food. They need tanks, guns, ammunition and supplies of all kinds. From America they will get them. China likewise expresses a magnificent will through Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek asks for our help. She shall have our help. Our country is going to be the arsenal of democracy. It is going to play its full part. And when the dictators disintegrate—and pray God that it will be sooner than any of us now dares to hope—our country must continue to play its great part in world reconstruction.

No Goosestepping To World Power!

President Roosevelt continued: "We believe that the rally-

Air Raids

LITTLE DAMAGE IN BRITAIN

R. A. F. Bombers Attack Targets In Western Germany

LONDON, March 16. Enemy air raids on this country last night (Saturday) were on a reduced scale. The London area was attacked but the raid which was not on a large scale was over shortly after midnight, says an Air Ministry "communiqué".

Houses were damaged in several areas but all fires had been put out by an early hour this morning. Many of the casualties which were not very heavy resulted from one incident. Bombs were dropped in a number of other areas mostly in south and south-east England and the home counties. A few bombs fell in east Midlands. The casualties in all these areas were not killed and the number of people killed was small.

R. A. F. bombers last night (Saturday) attacked targets in western Germany and the submarine base in L'Orient, it is learned in London.—Reuter.

R. A. F. BOMBS DUSSELDORF

LONDON, March 16. Industrial areas in Dusseldorf region were again attacked by the R.A.F. according to an Air Ministry Communiqué which states that "widespread and increasing fog over the Continent last night restricted our operations against the enemy, but in spite of this two forces of the Bomber Command made determined attacks on Dusseldorf where industrial areas, attacked in the previous night, were bombed and on the submarine base at L'Orient. From these operations one aircraft is missing."—Reuter.

LORD COMMISSIONER OF ADMIRALTY

LONDON, March 16. Rear Admiral Lyster, who commanded the aircraft carriers from which the Fleet Air Arm bombed Italian warships at Taranto, has been appointed Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty and Chief of Naval Services in succession to Vice-Admiral Sir Guy C. G. Royle.—Reuter.

Donovan Meets Hoare

LISBON, March 16. Before Col. Donovan, President Roosevelt's special envoy to Europe, left for home by clipper yesterday he had an interview with Sir Samuel Hoare, the British Ambassador in Spain, who came to Lisbon a day or two ago by air from Madrid. It is understood that they discussed the question of supplies to Spain and Portugal and unoccupied France. Col. Donovan also conferred with Senor Salazar, the Portuguese Premier.—Reuter.

Ankara Reaction

LONDON, March 16. President Roosevelt's assurance that the United States aid to the democracies will be "not partial but total" was particularly welcomed in Ankara according to the Ankara radio. "With particular clarity" said the announcer, President Roosevelt announces that the Nazi desire to rewrite the history of the world, according to Nazi wish and whim, is once for all, banned from the sphere of plausibility."

Belgian Troops In Abyssinian Advance

Big Bag For South African Air Force: Imperial Troops On Scene Of Graziani's Triumphs

CAIRO, March 16. Belgian troops fought side by side with British Imperial Troops in the operations in Abyssinia leading up to the recent capture of Asosa.

In Southern Abyssinia British forces operating from Italian Somaliland continue to advance in all sectors. A G. H. Q. Communiqué announcing these events adds that there is nothing to report in Libya and Eritrea.—Reuter.

Advance To Jijiga

NAIROBI: British troops have penetrated "far on the road to Jijiga," states an official communiqué. They have also penetrated along the Suda-Rele road from Mogadishu to Addis Ababa via Negelli. This was the scene of one of Marshal Graziani's

YUGOSLAVIA FOR PEACE AND ORDER

Will Defend Her Independence & Remain Non-Belligerent

LONDON, March 15. The determination to defend Yugoslav independence and remain non-belligerent is expressed by the Semiofficial newspaper "Vreme" quoted by the Belgrade radio in its English broadcast. In an article headed "Liberty, Independence and Peace" the paper says "we cannot sacrifice our liberty and independence for other peoples' interests. The Yugoslavs are a Slav tribe standing for peace, order and independence. We have ever defended proudly what is ours. Even today, when war is raging everywhere, we shall remain non-belligerent but that non-belligerency must be an armed non-belligerency in case of attack.—Reuter.

WHAT'S IN STORE FOR YUGOSLAVIA?

BASEL, March 15. The German Foreign Office is preserving a silence on all political problems especially regarding Yugoslavia, states a Berlin dispatch to the Basler Nachrichten. Lively negotiations, it is stated, are believed to be in progress between the two countries. "Numerous postponements of Yugoslavia's expected contribution to Germany's policy in Europe leads neutral observers to believe that the difficulties which Yugoslavia must surmount are greater than were at first realised," the dispatch adds.—Reuter.

Another Chinese Victory

CHUNGKING, March 16. The Chinese claim another military success with the capture of Kwanghai in southern Kwangtung province. The town fell on Saturday morning after three days of heavy fighting at the end of which much ammunition and machine-guns fell into Chinese hands.

On the Ichang front large scale operations are in progress and the latest communiqué says that extensive fighting is taking place on the south bank of the Yangtze river opposite the town. The Government has purchased large quantities of rice in Hunan province and are shipping it to Szechuen province to alleviate the shortage there.

JAPANESE CLAIM. SHANGHAI: The capture of Fengsin, west of Nanchang in Kiangsi Province, is claimed by the Japanese. This victory is stated to be the result of a lightning attack on eighty thousand Chinese troops described as the cream of Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek's central army in Chungking ninth war zone.—Reuter.

Fierce Fighting In South Hupeh

SHANGHAI, March 15. Bitter fighting is in progress as the result of a determined Chinese drive, following the recapture of Tungcheng in south Hupeh province, according to Chinese press reports. Fierce fighting is also taking place at a point some 60 miles south of Wuchang on the Canton-Hankow railway along which the Chinese have been pushing southwards during the past few days.—Reuter.

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triumphs during the Abyssinian war. "Operations are continuing," concludes the Communiqué.—Reuter.

South Africans' Big Bag

NAIROBI, March 16. Eight Italian aircraft were destroyed at Diredawa according to a Nairobi Communiqué, which states that "aircraft of the South African Air Force destroyed eight Italian aircraft at Diredawa on Saturday morning. Three enemy fighters were shot down in the air and two bombers and three reconnaissance aircraft were attacked on the ground and burnt out."

The S. A. A. F. aircraft concerned belonged to the same squadron as those which shot down a bomber near Dagabur last Thursday.—Reuter.

"Blackout" Of Nazi Losses

Berliners Kept In Dark About Bombers That Failed To Return

LONDON, March 16. Reuter's air correspondent wires:

The Nazi "blackout" of moonlight air losses over Britain until Sunday is the effect of the shock which the record of British fighters, anti-aircraft guns and "other devices" has given to the German High Command.

After admitting on Thursday the failure of six aircraft to return on the previous night, the German Communiqué gave up the daily tally of its own losses. Today's Communiqué countered the British claim of 27 German bombers destroyed, while the moon was up from Wednesday night onwards with the admission that 21 were lost during that period. For two days the German public have been kept in ignorance whether their bombers "returned safely" or not and had to be content with exaggerated British losses.

The early closing of last night's raid on Britain was not due to the German desire to avoid the attack ended. The fog, which threatened to blanket out Continental bases, limited the length and scale of the raid.

Nazi operations by daylight have taken on a different emphasis. Air Ministry Communiqués which have "nothing to report" underline the inability of Nazi planes to penetrate far inland over Britain with the R.A.F. in "mastery of the daylight air" overland.

R.A.F. BUSY

Daylight attacks on shipping, with which the night hammering of ports is linked, against the background of the battle of the Atlantic, may be expected to increase as the weather improves. In the absence of particulars in weekly Admiralty releases of the tonnage sunk it will not be easy to follow the measure of their success. Counter-blows against enemy shipping by Coastal Command bombers are also increasing and the defensive arm of the Command is being lengthened and thickened.

The beau-fighter of the R.A.F. the newest Night Hawk, is also to be used for long-range operations, the Air Ministry revealed.

BR. CALLS UP MORE MEN AND WOMEN

LONDON, March 16. The registration of men of 41 and 45 on 5th April is applicable to men not employed in certain industries and women of 20 on 19th April, those of 21 will follow later, announced Mr. Bevin broadcasting to-day.

He said: "We shall then be able to ascertain who is on essential work or in essential occupations and who are not, and be able to advise and direct you to place where you can render the greatest service."

Women after registering would be interviewed as required "and it will then be decided whether you can be expected to take employment of national importance."

Special steps will be taken to avoid calling up of women with small children or those with exceptional domestic responsibilities. He concluded "I am satisfied that this great democracy will submit to self-discipline and demonstrate its stability and determination that will far transcend anything that Hitler or his Nazi regime can bring against us."

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Greeks Take Three Thousand Prisoners

Fate Of Italian Offensive On Twenty-Mile Sector

ATHENS, March 16.

The Greeks have taken over 3,000 prisoners including several high officers in vigorous counter-attacks following Mussolini's abortive spring offensive in Albania. A semi-official statement says after seven days "despite the obstinacy and weight of the forces employed," the Italian offensive has been completely checked. The enemy has failed to occupy a single yard of territory.

BRILLIANT VICTORIES

The statement adds "the results of the battle to date may be regarded as one of the Greeks' most brilliant victories. The Italians made an exceptional effort preceded by long preparation. Much material and forces greatly outnumbering the Greeks were concentrated on a narrow front."

The statement reveals that although the offensive raged principally on a 20-mile wide sector, the Italians threw their heaviest concentrations into action over a width only two and a half miles. Many heavy and light guns and bombers and fighters supported the Italian attack in which Alpini, Bersaglieri and Blackshirt formations participated.

ENORMOUS LOSSES

The statement describes Italian losses as "enormous." Italian officers prisoners stated that one division had lost, forty to 50 per cent of its effectives, another was decimated and replaced, while a third division was completely smashed. The Blackshirts had also taken heavy punishment.

PETROL DUMP ON FIRE

A blaze visible for fifty miles was caused when a petrol dump

was set on fire at Berat aerodrome during a bombing attack by the R.A.F. A number of aircraft on the ground were destroyed and others damaged, says a Communiqué from R.A.F. headquarters in Greece. Four aircraft were also destroyed on the ground at Valona aerodrome where direct hits were scored on the runway.

All British aircraft returned safely, says the Communiqué, which adds that it is now confirmed that in the air combat last Tuesday seven Italian aircraft were definitely destroyed as against five previously announced and that on Thursday Italian losses were fifteen instead of fourteen.

Rome Short Of Petrol

ROME:—One-third of the omnibuses and taxis now in use in Rome are running on gas instead of petrol, according to official figures published here.—Reuter.

Greek Forces Congratulated

ATHENS, March 16. General Papagos, Commander-in-Chief of the Greek forces, has issued an order of the day congratulating the troops on the stand they had made before the new offensive offered by the enemy.

"The Italian counter-attacks gave you one more opportunity to display your fighting quality and the justice of your cause. After four months' fighting, you have gained further laurels increasing your glory. The enemy's effort has been crushed. Your will remains unbent and your faith in ultimate victory is stronger than ever"—Reuter.

Nazis Woo Turkey

ANKARA, March 16.

Nazi diplomats and other Germans in Turkey are apparently making an attempt to appeal to Turkey sentiment by arranging a series of entertainments marking the twenty-fifth anniversary of the death of Field Marshal Von Dergoltz, who reorganised the Turkish Army during the reign of Sultan Abdul Hamid. Several functions have been arranged here and in Istanbul in honour of the occasion.—Reuter.

NO NEED OF RENEWAL OF PERMISSION

Mahatma's Instructions To Satyagrahis

PURULIA, March 16. Explaining the instructions of Mahatma Gandhi regarding the payment of fine by Satyagrahis the office Secretary of the A. I. C. C. in the course of a letter to a member of the Purulia District Congress Committee says:—"No properties persons may join the movement, who are not prepared to pay fines. There is, however, no objection to the transfer of property to relatives provided the transfer is a 'bona fide' transaction."

In the course of another letter the Office Secretary writes to the District Congress Committee:—"A non-arrested Satyagrahi may ask for food if he cannot get without asking. He may also, if necessary, buy food if he has coppers in his pocket. If he cannot get food in any village he may proceed on."

"A Satyagrahi does not need to obtain the renewal of sanction from Gandhi for repeating Satyagraha. As for your question whether Satyagrahis should march singly or in groups Gandhi's direction is that they should march singly. Women Satyagrahis too should so far as possible march singly."—United Press.

If we are to beat Hitler, declared Mr. Bevin: "We must have every citizen rendering service in the right place. Government was taking measures to place right people in the right place."

The Minister of Labour added that his department was looking after the welfare of workers both inside and outside factories. There would be, he continued, no calling up of small children and persons with exceptional responsibilities. He assured married women, who undertook war work, that their children would be looked after by minders.—Reuter.

NO AGGRESSIVE INTENTIONS

Japanese Minister Assures Australia

CANBERRA, March 15. Japan had no aggressive intentions against anyone declared Mr. Tatsuoka Kawai, the first Japanese Minister to the Commonwealth of Australia in a press interview to-day.

Mr. Kawai added that he could not see at present any sign of war between Australia and Japan. Most of the problems between the two countries appeared to be in newspapers.

Referring to Anglo-Japanese relations, Mr. Kawai said, that international students in Japan deplored the abolition of Anglo-Japanese alliance and its replacement by the Washington Naval Treaty. "It was a poor substitute for the alliance," he added.—Reuter.

Cause Of Seville Explosion

ROME, March 15. The explosion at the Santa Barbara powder magazine at Seville on Friday was due to the fall of a case containing explosives which was being loaded according to a despatch received here by the official Italian News Agency.—Reuter.

ADDIS ABABA A VAST CONCENTRATION CAMP

Woman General Heads Serious Revolt

LONDON, March 6. The "Daily Telegraph" Khartoum correspondent cabled on March 5:

The revolt in Abyssinia, which has already compelled the Italians to withdraw from the great north-western province of Gofjam and the district of Wokait bordering on the Sudan, has now flared up in the key Central Province of Shoa and spread to the gates of Addis Ababa.

Addis Ababa is surrounded by a most elaborate system of barbed wire defences. The main road gates held by machine-gun guards.

He heads a secret league, known as the Society of Ethiopian Braves, which is now in constant communication with the Emperor and his representatives here. Under his leadership is at least one woman general. Just over a month ago she headed a serious revolt at the key point of Addisalem, less than 50 miles from Addis Ababa on the great west road leading to Gore, Gambela and Anso.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

Gestapo Agent P. Q. 13 reports that Verrier Elwin is in town. The Big Chief is here because of the wedding of his assistant, Sham Rao. I hear he is leaving shortly.

After the Races on Saturday I heard the band strike the British National Anthem. As is the custom the huge crowd stood to attention. One poor boy, an employee of the Turf Club was oblivious to what was going around and was picking up scattered tickets, which was his job. A well-known English lady, yelled out at him and later said she was going to report the matter to the Turf Club!! I asked her what good that would do. When the poor boy could not even recognize the tune even if he was told what to do. "But he can see all the English sahibs standing to attention," she replied. "Besides," she added, "we are all under the defence of our King." Now I don't want to appear a Quisling or a Fifth Columnist, but that a English lady should talk such utter tripe in this country in the year 1941 is the most shocking thing I've ever heard. This isn't patriotism. It is just lacking in common sense. I'd have published the lady's name but I think I'll give her one more chance.

TEXT BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS

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which will appeal to children for their content rather than a string of sentences entirely unconnected with one another. Instead of making the same approach to every aspect of grammar it would be advisable if different methods as outlined in (a) and (b) were used.

EXERCISES:—The books should contain a considerable number of varied exercises for oral as well as written work. In addition to the given exercises, directions should be given for using the class readers for similar exercises. Besides the usual drill exercises for practising usages, there should be language exercises leading to develop better (richer and more idiomatic) expression.

The books should contain at least two grades of exercises, those in the advanced grade meant for pupils with greater aptitude of expression.

COMPOSITION.—The teaching of composition should be based on a study of stimulating model passages of varied types and on different themes chosen from good literature.

The books should include a comprehensive list of composition exercises of varied types—descriptive, narrative, argumentative and imaginative. Some of these should be meant for oral work in class.

"Model" essays on stock subjects should not be given in composition books. Suggestions for speech practice, topics for short speeches, debates, etc. should be included. These should be of a great variety.

GENERAL GET-UP.—The binding and paper should be of hard wear. The paper should not be glazed and the type should not show through.

The type should be clear. No type smaller than "12 point" should be used for any book. Books for Infants and Standard I should be in large type. There should be proper margination.

The books should be attractive in appearance, clearly printed and well illustrated. The illustrations should be clear and simple in treatment.

The P. W. Department of H. E. H. the Nizam's Government has spent Rs. 12.38 lakhs for building new roads, measuring 120 miles in the talukas of Yadgir, Shapur, Shorepur and Jewarji and a sum of Rs. 9.39 lakhs for the construction of a new bridge on the Bhima river, according to a Press Note issued by the Government.

Satyagraha In Suspended

Gandhiji's Instructions In View Of Communal Tension

LAHORE, March 15. Mahatma Gandhi has issued instructions telegraphically, suspending the Satyagraha movement in the Amritsar city, in view of the communal tension there and the order under Section 144 Cr.P.C. promulgated yesterday to remain in force for one week.

The situation in Amritsar is now under control, and no fresh incident is reported. The Police and Civic Guards are parading the city.

Hindus observed a "hartal" to express sympathy with the deceased in yesterday's riot.—United Press.

Multan Convictions

LAHORE, March 15. Following convictions are reported from Multan in connection with Satyagraha:

Doctor Devi Datta sentenced to 18 months imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 100; Narsingh Das sentenced to two years. Nola Ram sentenced to 18 months and a fine of Rs. 100; Harish Chandra sentenced to 18 months and a fine of Rs. 100; Sardar Gopal Singh sentenced to 15 months and a fine of Rs. 200; Jamaluddin sentenced to 18 months and a fine of Rs. 50 and Lala Anand Prakash sentenced to 16 months and a fine of Rs. 200.—A.P.

In U. P.

DEHRA DUN, March 15. Harswarup was sentenced today to 16 months' R.I. and a fine of Rs. 200, for offering Satyagraha at Badipur.—A.P.

PERMISSION REFUSED TO 77

Third List Of Satyagrahis From Orissa

CUTTACK, March 15. A note, issued by the Provincial Congress Committee on the Satyagraha movement in the province, states:

"A special messenger has reached Wardha with the third list of Satyagrahis for Mahatma Gandhi's approval. Permission to offer Satyagraha has been refused to 77 persons as some of them hesitated to offer while others were found unfit. Five Satyagrahis repeated Satyagraha after they were released and have been re-arrested.

"Twenty-eight persons have so far been convicted under the Defence of India Rules in Orissa. Of the 147 members of the Provincial Congress Committee, 17 have resigned their membership being unable to enroll themselves as active Satyagrahis, and the names of 23 have been removed from the rolls for their anti-Congress activities. Of the remaining 107, 64 are now undergoing imprisonment, 9 have been detained for their conduct, 10 are now ready to offer Satyagraha, and the rest 22 have been asked to resign as they are hesitating to sign the prescribed pledge"—A. P.

SATYAGRAHA IN ANDHRA

List Of 846 Fresh Names Approved

MADRAS, March 15. Mr. Kala Venkat Rao, General Secretary of the Andhra Provincial Congress Committee, has returned to Madras from Wardha with a list of 846 fresh names of Satyagrahis approved by Gandhiji.

With this the total number of Satyagrahis in Andhra comes to 4,074.—United Press.

Amritsar City

Satyagraha Plans

Bombay's Next Batches

BOMBAY, Sunday. Since the launching of the Satyagraha campaign by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, a contingent of about 93 Congressmen have courted arrest in the city up to date. Further list of Satyagrahis is ready with the B.P.C.C., having already received Gandhiji's approval. It is understood the list includes about 150 Satyagrahis who propose to participate in the campaign till the end of June.

Satyagraha, it is understood, will be offered by Congressmen included in the fresh lists, in batches of two or three, every alternate day.

The next batch of Congressmen from Bombay proposes to offer Satyagraha on Tuesday. Their names are to be announced on Monday noon.

In the Bombay Suburban District, a list of 30 Satyagrahis scheduled to participate in the campaign during the month of April, has been submitted for the approval of Mahatma Gandhi. Mr. Ratilal T. Parekh, President of the Kandivli Taluka Congress Committee proposes to offer Satyagraha near the Station Road, Kandivli, at 8 a.m. on Monday.

In C. P.

Editor Jailed

JUBBULPORE, Mar. 15. Mr. Babulal Jain Daria, Editor of the "Tarani Bandhu," Itarsar, who was arrested under the Defence of India Rules before offering Satyagraha has been sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment.

Mr. Dhan Singh Gour, a veteran Congress worker of Raipur, has been sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 50.—United Press.

35 Satyagrahis Jailed In Belgaum District

BELGAUM, March 14. Thirty-three persons were convicted and sentenced to four months' simple imprisonment, each under the Defence of India Rules, for offering Satyagraha during this week in Belgaum District.

Two other women Satyagrahis were sentenced to one day's imprisonment each, and Rs. 50 fine, in default two months' simple imprisonment.—A. P.

In Gujarat:

AHMEDABAD, March 15. Three Satyagrahis who were arrested for three different villages of Ahmedabad district were tried and sentenced to-day to six months' S.I.—A.P.

Two Satyagrahis Released

POONA, March 16. Dr. Miss Tarabai Jogalekar and Patmabai Kukade who had been undergoing imprisonment in Yerawada jail for having offered Satyagraha were released last evening after serving their full term.—Reuter.

Ankola News

(From Our Correspondent.)
ANKOLA, March 11. Yeshodabai S. Shenai was the first Satyagrahi in Ankola. Then came her husband, the veteran Congress worker, Mr. Shantaram Shenai and Mr. G. M. Kanat and Beersanna Naik, being the members of the first batch. The plan of house to house Satyagraha campaign is under consideration here by the local Congress workers. The total census operations were carried out with the co-operation of the people. This year sugar cane crop, is understood to be satisfactory. But, the prices of all articles have been rising. A new weekly "Navayuga" has been started by Mr. S. D. Nadkarni of Karwar. We have one at Kumta, the "Karnata News".

NARIMAN ON BOMBAY CONFERENCE

Suggestion To Gandhiji

Mr. K. F. Nariman, M.L.A., has issued the following statement on the Bombay Conference and after. Although the Bombay Conference has not made any direct contribution, still it will be indirectly helpful, towards the solution; it will afford an opportunity, that many Congress leaders behind the prison bars would welcome, to reconsider the whole position.

It would neither be fair nor proper, for Gandhiji to assume the serious responsibility to take a decision on the momentous issue on behalf of the Congress; as far as we are aware, he was appointed sole Dictator only to control and conduct Individual Civil Disobedience. As he himself has recently declared, Congress is still free to decide independently and he would accept its verdict, though he, as a conscientious objector, may not be following it.

Besides Gandhiji has also recently condemned the Poona resolution as unworthy of the Congress, passed in a moment of weakness; and in principle and policy there is not much difference between the Poona Congress and the Bombay Conference resolutions.

CONSULT THE LEADERS

We are certain that the authorities concerned would afford reasonable facilities, if the leaders showed an inclination to reconsider the matter. A copy of the Bombay resolution, together with a brief summary of proceedings, should be furnished to all the prominent leaders in detention or jail, including Provincial and Central M.L.A.s, and they should be permitted to express their views and opinion confidentially direct to the President; and similarly Congress leaders outside should also be permitted to communicate with him, and if the President Maulana Azad feels, after perusing and considering their views and opinions, that there is sufficient ground for re-opening the subject, Government should release all the leaders and prominent Congressmen on parole for about a fortnight or a month, to enable them to discuss freely and decide independently, on the basis of the Bombay Conference resolution.

As stated in my previous letter, that decision, one way or other, should not be influenced by Mahatma views, but should be a genuine, independent, democratic and constitutional verdict of the Congress, and Gandhiji should not impose his suggestions in the form of an advice; we all must confess to our shame that even when Gandhiji makes a bare suggestion or advice the tallest amongst the Congress leaders, simply succumb, and both his intellect and power of thinking become so paralysed that he becomes unfit for any independent serious thought or action. As a measure of safety and precaution, and to prevent such an intellectual and mental collapse, it would even be advisable for Gandhiji to have a self-imposed ban and restriction, so that he should neither attend the said conference, and positively refuse to give any advice or suggestion on the subject, his views are well known to all members, and they must finally decide, either to assume responsibility or abdicate; and further, the voting should be by strict ballot; as at Poona they will have to make a choice between Gandhian leadership or present political objective; and, if after such precaution, the Congress does refuse to reconsider, the present path and is determined, in the words of Gandhiji, to grow into non-violence and at the same time to grow out of practical politics then at least the position will be clarified; let them have one more chance to decide

SADHONA BOSE BALLET

Brilliant Dances At Capitol

The enthusiastic reception given to Sadhona Bose and her dance troupe has once again revealed the esteem in which this talented dancer and screen star is held by the local dance-lovers.

The dance-dramas of Sadhona and her fellow artists were well and effectively presented. She judiciously blends the different dance techniques, Manipuri, Kathak, Kathakali and Bharata-Naty in her presentations.

Sadhona, in her group, this time, has got together an unit of fresh talents as Jayashanker, Vasant, Bhargavi, Amini, Hira, Joyotikana and Gayatri, in addition to the versatile dancer, Madhav Menon. Her programme this time is enriched with quite a number of new items including solos by herself, Madhav Menon and Jayashanker, group dances such as "Megha Doot", "Rang-puja", "Putul Nautch" (Doll dance) and pair dances as "Chandra-Rasmi", "Chand-Sree", "Usha Anuradha", "Kite-Dance", "Nritya-Vilas" and "Street-Singers". Among the different items, the ballets "Draupadi" by Sadhona Bose, "Putul Dance" by Sadhona and Jayashanker, "Street-Singers" by Sadhona and Madhav Menon, and, "Usha Anuradha" by Sadhona and Jayashanker, were remarkable and impressive; and there was continued applause from the audience. "Draupadi" by Sadhona was a masterpiece in every respect, indeed graceful and charming.

The richness and beauty of the specially made costumes (in original style) greatly enhanced the entertainment offered by Sadhona and her fellow artists. The popular musical director, Timir Baran, a name familiar to every lover of Indian Music, and his orchestra kept the whole programme lively and it was a great treat in itself. The programme continues at the Capitol.

POPULATION OF SIND, 45 LAKHS

KARACHI, March 16. The final population figures for Karachi City, Municipal area, is 3,58,555 to which is added 5,339 of Cantonment area. This records an increase of nearly 33 per cent. in the population of the city compared with the last census. Rough estimates of the population of Sind as a whole place the population at 45 lakhs representing an increase of between 13 and 15 per cent. during the last decade.—A. P.

Hindu Mahasabha

NAGPUR, March 16. The Working Committee of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha will meet at Calcutta on April 5 and 6. A conference of Provincial Councils of Action as also the Central Council will also be held there at the same time.—United Press.

This momentous issue, after duly weighing the consequences and realising its implications; after that none can blame Gandhiji; as his Dictatorship will not be imposed, as at present, but would be recognised as a result of democratic and constitutional verdict.

An arrangement on the lines suggested above, is very desirable, and may either lead to the solution of the deadlock if not, at least, will clarify the political atmosphere, so that the other parties may proceed on the proposed path, with better justification and support; because they will not be charged with ignoring the Congress, if the Congress chooses deliberately to isolate itself.

The Muslim League, too for fear of being isolated and weakened, will also be constrained to reconsider its position, and thus the Bombay Conference may ultimately pave the way for a representative All Parties Conference that can only give a rational and final authentic verdict, on such a vital issue.

Our Readers' Views

Artists And Professional Tax

To The Editor of "The Chronicle." Sir,—In spite of the meeting called by the Artists' Club on Sunday the 16th February, 1941 in protest of the professional tax intended to be levied on the "Professional dancers and musicians" by the Municipality they are taking it lying down instead of agitating against this unjust tax. The public is well aware that this ancient art of dancing which was universally recognised in the olden times was dead for some time and is now being revived and just when it has been showing some signs of revival the Bombay Municipality is to cut the art at the very root of it. As a matter of fact the municipality ought to encourage the art and help those associations, which are conducting this Art, financially.

I am, of course, not a professional dancer, but I know what hardships this tax will cause to the professional dancers and musicians. I would, therefore, request all professional dancers and musicians to call meetings in protest of this unjust tax and I too am at their disposal to extend full support as far as possible.

In this connection I may add that the Corporation as a matter of fact has passed a resolution about two years ago, sanctioning a hall and theatre for the benefit of the artists and it is a wonder that the same body should think of callously murdering this Art in spite of the Municipal Commissioner's saying a few weeks ago that the financial position of the Corporation was quite sound.—Yours, etc.

ROHINI WAGLE

Value Of Prayer

To The Editor of "The Chronicle." Sir,—Reuter's news announcing the desire of the King to observe Sunday the 23rd March, 1941 as a national day of prayer for strength and guidance has come to the people at a very opportune moment. The value of such prayer cannot be estimated. It is a heavenly weapon with which to help the world to restore peace and happiness and it can be handled by one and all. Let all persons of goodwill now lay aside religious, political or other prejudice and calmly consider this matter. Life is the gift of God and if nations wish to live they should pray for His help. The churches and temples form the religious part of the world's organisation and hence are a part of the world. If prayers are held in all churches and temples there is no doubt that God will demonstrate His supreme power and destroy Satan's organisation. Guns, air machines, battleships and poison gas will be of no avail against the forces of Almighty God. One might ask "what is the effect of prayers held so far?" The answer is that God waits until wickedness has run its full course and then He acts. Let every person who desires to see peace on earth and goodwill towards men now stand on the side of God.

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CONFIDENTIAL LETTER FROM RAILWAY BOARD Issue Of Dearness Allowance Before A-I. Railwaymen's Federation

NEW DELHI, March 15. A confidential letter from the Railway Board concerning the question of granting dearness allowance to Railway workers was considered to-day at the annual convention of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation. Mr. Jamnadas Mehta was in the chair and delegates from the Unions of the following Railways were present:—N.W.R., G.I.P., B.B. and C.I., E.I.R., M. and S.M.R., E.B.R., S.I.R., B.N.R., H.E.H.N., S.R., and Mysore State Railway.

The accounts and the report of the working of the Federation for the last year were approved. The following officers were then elected: Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, President, Mr. Guruswami, General Secretary, and Mr. S. C. Joshi, Mr. M. A. Khan and Mr. S. C. Chatterjee, Vice-Presidents.

A resolution was passed protesting against the refusal by the Agent of the North Western Railway to recognise the N. W. R. Union, and empowering Mr. Jamnadas Mehta to take this matter up with the Chief Commissioner for Railways.

The Federation next considered "in camera" a confidential letter from the Railway Board concerning the question of a dearness allowance to the Railway workers. The discussion is proceeding.

—A. P.

GOVT. EMPLOYEES' DEMANDS

NEW DELHI, March 15. A Conference of Representatives

Extracting Dyes From Flowers And Fruits

Researches Carried Out At V. J. T. Institute

Investigations are being carried on by the Bombay Industries Department into the possibilities of using vegetable barks, roots, flowers and fruit for dyeing textiles.

Palas flowers and Bael fruit are being tried at the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute and at the University Department of Chemical Technology, and the results with the former so far as reported to be encouraging. Experiments in the use of catechu and Kamia fruit are also being made. The Department, likewise, is conducting inquiries into the manufacture of starch from local material. Tests show that it is possible to obtain from jowar starch suitable for the textile and confectionary industries. Samples of this starch were sent for trial to a mill, which reported that the starch gave a good paste without any grit and acted as a good binding material. Cloth finished with the starch gave a full and soft feel.

Trials are also being conducted in connection with the manufacture of shuttles from the different species of Indian wood with the aid of the Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun. Some shuttles were made by a local dealer from the species of wood provided by the Forest Research Institute

of Unions of Employees working in the different Departments of the Central and the Provincial Governments and the local bodies was held under the auspices of the All-India Government Employees' Federation to-day. Mr. N. M. Joshi presided.

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta was among those who attended.

EMPLOYEES' DEMANDS

The Conference adopted a number of resolutions requesting immediate grant of adequate dearness allowance with retrospective effect, substitution of provident fund for the existing pension system, removal of various disabilities peculiar to Government employees and enforcement of compulsory retirement of all employees at the age of 55.

The Conference protested against introduction of reduced scales of salary, surrender of part of earnings of Government servants from extra work done by them and the inadequacy of new leave rules. The Conference requested for the introduction of two new features—half-yearly consultations by heads of departments with the Service Associations concerned and the compulsory insurance of Government employees at the expense of Government.

The office-bearers for the next term include: President Mr. N. M. Joshi, Vice-President Mr. R. Bakhale, General Secretary Mr. S. C. Joshi, and Mr. Jamnadas Mehta and N. V. Bhande as members of the Council.—A. P.

Obstetric Conference

Dr. Purandare To Preside: Sir Mangaldas Mehta To Open Exhibition

CALCUTTA, March 16. Dr. N. A. Purandare of Bombay has accepted the Presidency of the Third All-India Obstetric and Gynaecological Congress, which will commence its five days' session in Calcutta on April 10.

The Congress, of which His Excellency the Governor of Bengal is the patron, will discuss, among other things problems relating to maternity and child welfare.

A Reception Committee has been formed with Dr. B. D. Mukherjee as Chairman and Dr. J. Chakravarti and Dr. P. C. Das, as Secretaries.

The Hon. Nawab Bahadur of Dacca, Minister of Public Health, Bengal will open the Medical Exhibition, to be organised in this connection.

The maternity and child welfare exhibition, organised by the Calcutta Corporation, will run concurrently with the session of the Congress.

Sir Mangaldas Mehta of Bombay will open this exhibition on April eleven.—A. P.

Clipper Record

(From A Correspondent). When the "Philippine Clipper" arrives in Hong Kong, Friday, January 31, completing trans-Pacific flight No. 463, she will have passed the 10,000-hour mark in her trans-Pacific flying time between Hong Kong and California. With her sister ship the "China Clipper" she has been shuttling back and forth across the biggest ocean of all for the last five years. The remarkable record of these two sturdy flying boats, the first of their kind is strikingly expressed in that each of these airplanes has spent nearly one quarter of the past five years in the air—actually 24 per cent of the actual hours since November 22, 1935. In this time the two clippers have flown a distance equivalent to six round trips to the moon!

The strike of the goldsmiths of Rawalpindi involving about 300 goldsmiths and allied craftsmen has been partially called off after a complete suspension of work for thirteen days.

needy and poor children free of charge. The diseases of eyes and ears require careful attention during childhood and they are a serious handicap to the children in their education and also in their later life. Decayed teeth, Enlarged Tonsils and Adenoids are the root of several diseases local and general. Delay or negligence in their cases leads to ill health, mental and intellectual growth of children. For the last 19 years the Municipal Travelling Dental Clinic has been doing useful work. Cases of Leprosy and Tuberculosis are occasionally detected in schools.

These cases require early diagnosis and are disqualifying in any Municipal school to safeguard the health of other healthy children against infection. Proper advice is given to the parents of these unfortunate children as regards their treatment. The cases of Latent Tuberculosis and Malnutrition improve rapidly under up-to-date treatment at the clinic. The children of this generation will be very grateful to the Corporation for school Medical Relief at the Clinic which needs immediate expansion.

The School Medical Inspection, School Clinics, Milk Ration in schools, compulsory physical exercises and games and scouting are important child welfare activities which promote and build their health. We should always aim at the creation of a strong and healthy Nation. The cost of these activities may be considerable, but it is counterbalanced by saving on treatment at later age, by increased capacity and powers of individuals saved in early childhood from disease or defect. It is a great pleasure to record that the work of school clinic has been much appreciated by the parents of the school children. Many thanks are due to the Dean, the Medical Officers of the Clinic and Nursing Staff at the K.E.M. Hospital and school teachers for their sympathy and interest shown in making the school clinic movement a great success.

CALCUTTA CORPORATION

Special Meeting To Consider Govt. Action

CALCUTTA, March 16. A special meeting of the Calcutta Corporation has been called on March 19 at the instance of 25 Councillors to consider the Government's refusal to re-appoint Mr. J. C. Mukherjee as Chief Executive Officer for a further period of two years from April 1.

"This is a serious matter and affects the prestige of the Corporation" say the requisitionists.

It may be recalled that Mr. Mukherjee, who is the present incumbent to the post was re-appointed at a meeting of the Corporation on February 28.—United Press.

PLEA FOR SOLID FRONT OF STUDENTS

Sarat Bose's Address To Bengal Provincial Conference

CALCUTTA, March 15. That students should not overlook the paramount and overriding importance of unity was stressed by Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose, while performing the inaugural ceremony of the fourth session of the Bengal Provincial Students' Conference, which commenced at the University Institute Hall this evening.

Mr. Bose remarked that unless students could present a solid and united front, all their fervour to serve their country and people would be in vain. He urged them to resist all internecine strifes as also to remember that in order to secure effectiveness of action, free choice must not be allowed to degenerate into disunity. Dr. H. C. Mookerjee, who presided at the Conference, said that the present difference of opinion between the teachers and the taught was due as much to the unwisdom of the authorities as to the unwisdom of the student. He pointed out that students were suffering from two weaknesses, one was the weakness of indifference and the other was the weakness of defeatism.—A. P.

"GOVT. MUST CONCEDE HINDU SABHA DEMANDS"

MADRAS, March 15. The hope that the British Government would even now try to avoid coming into conflict with the Hindu Mahasabha by making a definite declaration about the Mahasabha's demand regarding the time-limit for the establishment of equal partnership for India in the Indo-British Commonwealth, was expressed by Dr. P. Varadarajulu Naidu, General Secretary of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, in the course of an interview to the United Press with regard to the postponement of the Working Committee of the Mahasabha at its Bombay meeting, of arriving at a decision in regard to its future course of action.

"I am inclined to think," said Dr. Naidu, "that if Lord Linlithgow is given a free hand, the settlement of the Indian problem will become very easy. If the British statesmen have understood the real position in India they must entrust Lord Linlithgow with the task of solving the Indian question before he lays down his office. A new Viceroy is likely to complicate the already complicated state of affairs in India".—United Press.

Indian War Museum

The Government of India have decided to appoint a Committee for the collection and organisation of exhibits for an Indian War Museum to form a record of India's contribution to the war effort of the Empire.

Mr. R. C. Jeffreys, I. P. Under-Secretary, Defence Department of the Government of India, New Delhi, has been appointed Secretary to the Committee of the Indian War Museum, and pending the final constitution of the Committee is authorised to communicate with all authorities and persons who may be in a position to supply exhibits.—A. P.

Plan For Communal Harmony

CALCUTTA, March 16. Mr. Nur Ahmed, M.L.C., has tabled a resolution requesting the Bengal Government to draw up and put into operation a suitable scheme for the promotion of communal harmony in the Province. It is understood that the member has also sent a notice referring to the scheme prepared by the Punjab Government in this behalf, and enquiring if the Bengal Government would draw a scheme.—United Press.

MYSORE CONGRESS SESSION

Construction Of Vinobanagar Begun

VINOBANAGAR, (By Mail). The construction of Vinobanagar has been begun. The Chairman, Mr. S. N. Jalingappa, is touring the district for collection of funds. The public are generously contributing, the exhibition is expected to be opened by an all India personality. The exhibition will be an unique one for its Arts, statistics, and Mysore Congress stall. Volunteers training camp has been opened at Vinobanagar. The G.O.C., Mr. D. B. Mowreswarappa, is giving extensive training to volunteers. The Committee desired to enroll about 300 volunteers by the 25th instant. The recruiting officer is busily engaged with this work. The Reception Committee desires to illuminate the Congress Nagar by electricity generated by a dynamo. Water will be supplied by pipes, being pumped from the Tungabhadra river.

"WAR WEEK" TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

To-day, will see a mechanised column parading through the mill area from noon until 1 p.m. At 4 p.m. "Prabhat" will be staged at the Imperial Cinema. There will be a second military display at the Esplanade Maidan at 5 p.m., the programme including naval gun drill and displays by tanks, armoured cars and machine-guns. Demonstrations in first aid, stretcher drill, bandaging and ambulance work will be given and a military band will play at a display at Worli from 5-30 to 6-45.

ROTARY IDEAL FOR POST-WAR NEW ORDER

MADRAS, March 16. The advancement of international peace and goodwill and understanding through the fellowship of business and professional men was the work that lay before them, said Mr. H. C. Papworth, proposing the toast to the Rotary International at the Annual Charter Dinner of the Madras Rotary Club.

In the course of his speech after the toasts Mr. Papworth said most of them were now reconciled to the fact that a drastic reconstruction of society and of nations must take place at the close of the present conflict and if that was so it was all the more necessary that that reconstruction should be inspired by the Rotary ideal of "service before self".—A. P.

2,000 Feet Of Telephone Wire Stolen!

PESHAWAR, March 16. The Bannu-Lakki-D. I. Khan telephone line was cut at mile six from Bannu a few days ago. About 2,000 feet of copper wire had been removed.—A. P.

Indians Must Not Lose This Opportunity

Sir M. Visvesvaraya On Urgent Need Of Govt. Help To Science Institute

BANGALORE, March 15. "This is a time of war. The great majority of the people of this country deeply sympathise with the risks and sufferings of the people of Great Britain. Many are willing and anxious to take part in the measures needed to help Britain and humanity in this emergency," observed Sir M. Visvesvaraya, presiding over a meeting of the Court of the Indian Institute of Science to-day.

MOST URGENT NEEDS. The three most urgent needs of industries were according to Sir Visvesvaraya, adequate tariff protection, banking facilities and maintenance of statistics.

APPEAL TO GOVERNMENTS. Two important resolutions were adopted by the Court of the Indian Institute of Science at its meeting to-day. The Court by one resolution recommended to the Governing Council that the

Government of India, Provincial Governments, Indian States and industrialists be approached for funds to equip the Institute for giving advanced instructions in aeronautical engineering, metallurgical Science, and research in automobile engineering.

The Court also recommended to the Council that the Indian Science Congress on behalf of Science, Federation of Industries, Chambers of Commerce and other allied bodies be approached with a view to appointing a Committee with the Director of the Science Institute as secretary to go into and prepare a report on problems in science and industry connected with post-war period.

The annual report and the accounts of the Institute for 1939-40 were considered and recorded. The budget estimates for 1941-42 were considered and recommended to the council for adoption. Sir M. Visvesvaraya was re-elected President of the Court for 1941-42.—A. P.

Art In Industry Exhibition In Calcutta

(From A Correspondent). CALCUTTA, (By Mail). The Art in Industry Exhibition which has just been held at the Government School of Art, Calcutta, brought in over 200 entries from all parts of the country, of which no less than 370 were hung. This exhibition originated with Burnham Shell, who sponsored it and secured the co-operation of a number of other important firms. Dunlop, the "Ananda Bazar Patrika" and the "Hindustan Standard," the Indian Tea Market Expansion Board, the Mahalanandi Cotton Mills, the Metal Box Company of India, and the Tata Iron & Steel Company, each presented valuable prizes for the various sections into which the Exhibition was divided. In addition Mr. Bhambhani Churn Law, one of Bengal's best-known art patrons, gave a prize of Rs. 50 for the best entry from his Province, and Burnham-Shell another of the same amount for the best exhibit in the show.

The outdoor section—posters or hoardings—attracted a very large number of entries and there was a higher general standard in this section than in any other. It is perhaps, not without significance that, of the 140-odd posters hung, only one was humorous. And in the entire Exhibition there were only two other designs, both for book covers and both by Mrs. Indumati Roopkrishna of Lahore, that had any appeal to humour. Many of the posters were striking and many exceedingly well-finished and although the selection of prize winners was obviously not easy the writer of this note would not perhaps have chosen Kolvant Rai Berry's poster advertising sars for the first prize. The two cheques in the Lettering section were, in his view, the best exhibits.

Section Two, which is devoted to Lettering, produced a number of business letter heads of a very high standard indeed, together with a poster by R. H. Willis which is strikingly original in conception, excellent in execution, and a very great pleasure to the eye.

The Third Section, Decorative Art, perhaps inevitably is something of a miscellany covering as it does everything from calendar designs to show-cards and book illustrations. The standard here was not so high and on the whole the entrants did not show great originality, an exception

Boric Acid To Be Made In India

NEW DELHI, March 13. Boric acid for the medical stores department, hitherto obtained from England, may shortly be manufactured in India. It is proposed to purchase crude borax, imported from Tibet, and arrange for the manufacture of boric acid. Another imported article, Tablets Magnesium Sulphate 40 grains, is being manufactured by one of the medical stores depots. Peptone powder, used as a culture medium, has hitherto been obtained from England. It is now manufactured in India. A sample has been tested by the military laboratories and found to be a suitable substitute for the imported article. Accordingly the article has been transferred to the list of indigenous articles.—A. P.

KISHOREGANJ, March 16.—Three persons are reported to have been killed and one seriously injured in a riot in village Rajibpur, according to unofficial information received here.



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Issues Before Princes Chamber

Move For Reducing Number Of Representative Members

NEW DELHI, March 15. The session of the Chamber of Princes beginning on Monday, March 17, will be opened with an inaugural address by His Excellency the Viceroy followed by His Highness the Chancellor's Address.

No final agenda has yet been drawn up but it is expected that the session will last for two days. Among resolutions to be discussed are one expressing loyalty of the Indian Princes to His Majesty; another reiterating their determination to contribute their utmost for the successful prosecution of the war and a third on the progress of constitutional reforms in states both on the executive and judicial side.

MINISTER'S REPORT. Minister's report on various matters like application of Indian Income-Tax Act to states, Revision of Treaties, will be considered. Keen regret is felt among Princes' circles owing to the inability of the Maharaja of Bikaner to attend due to the illness of Maji Sahab.

Among ruling Princes and Chiefs who have so far signified their intention to attend the session are the following:—The Maharaja of Datta, the Maharaja of Dewas (senior), the Nawab of Jaora, the Raja of Bhor, the Maharaja of Cochin Behar, the Nawab of Rampur, the Nawab of Bahawalpur, the Maharaja of Patiala, the Maharaja of Nabha, the Maharaja of Alwar, the Maharaja of Bharatpur, the Maharaja Rana Sahab of Porbandar and the Maharaja Raj Sahab of Wankaner.

Text Of Resolutions

Following is the text of some of the resolutions to be considered at the session of the Princes Chamber:—

"The Chamber of Princes records its deep sense of abhorrence of the callous Nazi violation of all International Law and Morality culminating in the shameless bombing of Buckingham Palace."

GERMANY'S "NO" TO CZECH PREMIER

ANKARA, March 15. The Czech Premier M. Elias has been refused permission to resign by the German authorities in the Protectorate. It is reliably reported here.

M. Elias, a former Czech Legionary, desired to resign following the German measures against Czech Legionaries but the German authorities refused to permit Doctor Hacha to accept it.—Reuter.

LAHORE:—The Punjab Government have made a non-recurring grant of Rs. 27,500 for the continuance of scheme for the industrial survey of the Punjab for a further period of two years with effect from April 1, 1941.

HALIFAX-HULL CONFERENCE

"Food For France" Figures In Talks

WASHINGTON, March 15. Lord Halifax conferred with Mr. Cordell Hull for 40 minutes to-day. He afterwards told journalists that the discussion was general. It is believed however that one of the subject was food for France.—Reuter.

Will Blockade Be Relaxed?

LONDON, March 15. During their talk to-day, Mr. Cordell Hull and Lord Halifax are understood to have discussed problems concerning the position of unoccupied France, though there is no confirmation of rumours here that Britain would agree to a formal relaxation of the blockade.

But it is well-known that British and United States' policies have for some time, been on similar lines with a view to countering the forces which are trying to push Vichy into closer co-operation with Germany, and, it is believed, a relaxation in certain specific instances, such as food, with strict safeguards might be considered.

The conditions for relaxation canvassed include positive assurances that the food would not reach the enemy, that Frenchmen working in unoccupied France for the German effort would not benefit, a cessation of any passage of German troops to French Morocco and an assurance that Berlin, M. Laval and Admiral Darlan are not trying to force the French Government beyond the limits of the Armistice.

It is emphasised in well-informed circles that the United States are not exercising pressure on Britain in this connection.—Reuter.

"Too Leniently Applied To France"

LONDON, March 15. It is pointed out in London that the British blockade is perhaps too leniently applied rather than harshly so far as France is concerned.

The "Times" comments that Admiral Darlan is asking for the lifting of the whole blockade France, although Britain has already passed ships to French ports.

It is pointed out that considerable traffic has already been allowed to Marseilles and West African Ports.—Reuter.

Relaxation Of British Blockade Would Aid Nazis

LONDON, March 15. The British view that any further relaxation of the British blockade under the present circumstances would aid the Nazi war machine was admitted by a Vichy spokesman who stated that the Germans were not permitting any supplies to pass from the occupied to the unoccupied zone. The result is there is a comparative plenty in the occupied zone.

The French Cabinet last night studied the British and United States reaction to its appeal for food.—Reuter.

Women Should Be Useful!

Mrs. Brijlal Nehru's Address At Lahore College

LAHORE, March 15. A plea for a thorough overhauling of the system of education in order to equip the individual with the necessary training to get the best out of life and to fit him to be a useful member of Society was made by Mrs. Brijlal Nehru, President of the All-India Women's Conference, delivering the convocation address at the Lahore College for Women.

ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE

She said that it was necessary for a woman to have a profession as it was for a man, without which women's economic independence could not be achieved. "Marriage is a vocation by itself," she remarked, "and every woman in addition to her own profession should be specially equipped with a training to fulfil the obligations of married life." She advised the girl students to take full advantage of the opportunities offered to them by modern education and asked them to study psychology and more particularly psycho-analysis.

Dwelling on the question of language which she considered was intimately connected with good citizenship, she suggested that Hindustani should be given a high status in the syllabus with the ultimate object of making it the medium of all education.—A. P.

SAINIK PRESS RESTORED

Police Guard Withdrawn But Security Demand Orders Still Stand

AGRA, March 15. The police restored the Sainik Press to Mr. Shriram Sharma, Managing Trustee, yesterday afternoon and police guard was withdrawn.

The U. P. Government's Order dated February 17 under the Press Act demanding a security of Rs. 3,000 from the keeper of the press and another Order dated November 18 demanding Rs. 3,000 security from the Publisher of the paper however still stand.

Italian Prisoners Of War In Canada

CANADA, (Crete), Mar. 15. Of 4,000 Italian war prisoners who have arrived here, most of them were completely ignorant of the crushing nature of defeat Italy has suffered and some asked whether Marshal Badoglio was still in command, but all openly showed relief at being finished with the war and resentment of the Italian people at the campaign against Greeks.

The batch included weary men from the Albanian front and some had fought in Abyssinia and in Spain.—Reuter.

MAHATMA'S INSTRUCTIONS FOR SATYAGRAHIS' GUIDANCE

WARDHA, (By Mail). The following instructions given by Mahatma Gandhi for the guidance of Satyagrahis have been issued by the A.I.C.C.:—

Don't bring persons from villages into towns for offering Satyagraha.

Satyagrahis, if not arrested may do house-to-house propaganda, but it should not take the form of picketing. Satyagrahis should not enter the houses where they are not welcome.

Persons serving in Local Bodies should resign from the services before offering Satyagraha.

When a Congress Committee is suspended, its work should be entrusted to an approved Satyagrahi.

Lady Satyagrahis, if unable to march to Delhi, may tour in their own districts and province.

Satyagrahis marching to Delhi should obtain a working knowledge of Hindustani.

Satyagrahis charged under the Nuisance Act may not offer any defence. They may make it clear that their sole intention was to carry on anti-war propaganda, and plead not guilty to the nuisance charge.

Harjan Congress workers should devote themselves to constructive work.

Satyagrahi prisoners may refuse food only if it is unwholesome and uneatable.

Satyagrahis who are let off with fines should continue the Satyagraha without giving a fresh notice.

Satyagrahis able to pay the fine may not evade payment, but are not bound to sell their property to pay it.

For the facility and convenience of village folk, non-arrested Satyagrahis should be provided with a certificate or a badge on the authority of the Provincial Congress Committee, testifying to his being an approved Satyagrahi. The badge may differ from province to province.

Satyagraha may not be offered in a place where section 144 is in force.

Petticoats, and handcuffs, etc. should be borne cheerfully when being transferred from one jail to another.

Non-arrested Satyagrahis marching to Delhi should, besides raising anti-war slogans and otherwise carrying on anti-war propaganda, propagate the constructive programme of the Congress. It must be explained to the masses that the best and most effective as also the easiest way in which they can help forward the struggle is by carrying out the constructive programme laid before the country by our leader.—United Press.

Minorities' Problem

Constitutional Democracy Only Solution

Dr. Mahajani's Appeal To Congress: 'Free Country From Danger Of Pakistan'

That the solution of the minority problem lay in the establishment in the provinces of constitutional democracy so that the minorities would feel that they had a share in the governance of the country, was the view expressed by Dr. G. S. Mahajani speaking on "The Problem of Minorities", at a public meeting held under the auspices of the W. I. N. Liberal Association, on Saturday.

SET UP NATIONAL GOVTS. Dr. Mahajani said that he did not know whether the suggestions made by the Bombay Conference for resolving the Indian political deadlock would be accepted by the British Government, but even supposing that there was bankruptcy of British statesmanship, was it not advisable for Indians themselves to set up national governments in the provinces? The difficulties in the way of setting up national governments in the provinces were mainly due to the party in power sticking to the orthodox parliamentary form of democracy.

WHAT BRITAIN SHOULD DO. The world situation was such, he said, that India would have to play a decisive part in this war, and therefore it was in the interest of Great Britain to create psychological conditions by which national effort would be concentrated on the war. But taking a long range view the duty of maintaining democracy in the Eastern hemisphere would devolve on India and hence the need of resolving the present deadlock without waiting for the British Government to do something.

The question which faced them was what steps should be taken to avert the danger to the integrity of the nation. Since 1931, there had been a progressive deterioration in the situation, so far as the communal problem was concerned. The leaders of the minorities were not prepared to consider the question of coalition governments unless the idea of Pakistan was substantially accepted.

"PAKISTAN, NOT A POLITICAL NECESSITY." The speaker did not agree with Dr. Ambedkar, who in his recent publication on Pakistan, held that there were only two alternatives to the scheme of Pakistan, militant Hinduism or pre-1935 British rule. The speaker denied that Pakistan was a political necessity.

EUROPEAN SITUATION. Straying into the European history, Dr. Mahajani said that for only 10 years after 1870 the principle of nationalism worked as a unifying factor in Europe and amalgamation of political units in a large scale took place. After that the principle of nationalism was transformed. The political

constitution prevalent in Switzerland, where the legislature was elected on the system of proportional representation and the legislature as a whole elected the Executive.

TOWARDS JOINT ELECTORATES. Speaking on the merits of constitutional democracy, he said that such democracy would be workable in India. It would take no notice of the bases on which parties were formed on the would pave the way for the introduction of joint electorates.

Finally the speaker appealed to the Congress to establish constitutional democracy in the provinces. It was possible that the Muslim League in the beginning would not take part in the Cabinets. However, the Congress should keep seats vacant for the League till their "boma ideas" were clear. Then alone the country would be freed from the danger of "Pakistan".

PAPER TO BE MADE OUT OF WATER-HYACINTH. Scheme Under Consideration Of Bengal Govt.

CALCUTTA, March 15. That the Government of Bengal are considering a scheme for testing the commercial possibilities of hand-made paper being manufactured as a small scale industry was disclosed by the Hon'ble Mr. Tamluzuddin Khan, Minister for Agriculture and Industries, while referring to the new schemes in 1941-42 budget, in the Bengal Assembly to-day.

The Minister said that the raw material to be used in this scheme was water-hyacinth. As a result of the experiment carried on by the Industries Department, it had been possible to evolve a process for the manufacture of papers and boards from water-hyacinth; but the commercial possibilities of this process of manufacture had not yet been tested.—A. P.

RAILWAY PASSENGERS MAY NOT GET NEWSPAPERS

Negotiations With Book-stall Proprietors Break Down

NEW DELHI, March 15. Negotiations have lately been in progress between a well-known firm of Railway Bookstall Proprietors and the Indian and Eastern Newspaper Society regarding the terms on which newspapers are sold at Railway stations. These, it is understood, have broken down and notice has been given by the Society terminating the present arrangement from the end of March.

If the deadlock continues the convenience of a large section of Railway travellers will be affected after March 31. The attitude of the Railway authorities, to whom the Bookstall owners have contractual obligations, to such a contingency is not at present known but they have been acquainted with the position.—A. P.

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